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## THE AUTOMATIC PHONES.

COMING EARLY NEXT  
YEAR.

HOPES OF TRUNK SERVICE  
WITH CANTON.

TO-DAY'S STATEMENTS.

Presiding at the annual shareholders' meeting of the Hongkong Telephone Co., Ltd., held at noon today, Mr. J. Scott Harston stated that definite progress had been made in connexion with the change-over to the automatic system, which should be in operation early next year. Further important statements made by the Chairman were to the effect that:

The Company is in communication with the Canton Government with a view to co-operation in the projected trunk telephone system between Hongkong and Canton;

The new exchange building at Kowloon will be designed to provide accommodation for 10,000 subscribers' lines, with an ultimate extension to 20,000;

The Government may be approached in the future to modify the provisions of the Company's franchise restricting the annual Reserve appropriation to \$50,000; Further revision of the subscribers' rates will be necessary when the total cost of the new plant has been met.

Chairman's Speech.

Addressing the meeting, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen, The report of your Directors and statement of accounts for financial year ending 31st December, 1928, having been in your hands for the prescribed period, I will, with your permission, follow the usual procedure, and take them as read.

The Auditors' Report is as follows:—"We have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Company for the year ended 31st December, 1928, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. In our opinion, the above balance sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of affairs of the Hongkong Telephone Company, Limited, as at 31st December, 1928, according to the best of our information and explanations given to us and as shown by the Books of the Company—Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Chartered Accountants, Auditors, Hongkong, 30th January, 1929."

Turning to the accounts, you will observe that the profit for the year under review amounted to \$260,904.96 as compared with \$220,999.69 for the preceding year, and is arrived at after deducting \$168,674.66 for depreciation; \$31,648.00 for payment to Government of royalties, as provided for under the terms of the Telephone Ordinance; \$5,527.88 for writing off the balance of preliminary expenses, thus extinguishing this account; \$379.80 for writing off Bad Debts; and \$4,648.64 for writing off the loss on the sale of our Queen's Road property. Depreciation is higher this year by \$14,335.92, but you will observe that substantial additions have been made to capital plant so that depreciation has therefore to be allowed on the increased value of such plant.

Increased Royalties.

Royalties continue to form an increasing sum each year, being \$2,637 more than for the preceding year, and the difference in the amounts payable from year to year on this account is an index of the extension of your business from which the Government benefits with your Company.

You will notice that bad debts have decreased to a very low figure, being \$1,055.16 less than for the previous year and represent only a little over 0.05% on the gross turnover. This satisfactory result amply justifies the institution of the system of deposits to which I referred on two previous occasions from the chair. Your Board decided that, commencing on 1st July 1928, interest should be allowed at the rate of 4% per annum on all deposits of \$50 or more, provided same are held for a period of not less than six months.

Referring to the item of \$4,648.64, representing a loss on the sale of your Queen's Road property, your Directors received, during the year under review, an offer of purchase and after careful con-

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## HUNAN POLITICAL UPHEAVAL.

GENERALS OUST CHAIRMAN  
OF GOVERNMENT.

TROOP NON-PAYMENT.

Hankow, Feb. 22.

It was reported from Changsha last evening that Lu Tsi-ping, the Chairman of the Hunan Provincial Government, had been ousted by a combined movement on the part of Generals Ho Chien, Hsia Wei and Yeh Chi.

The reason given for the action is the refusal of Lu to disburse provincial finances for the payment of other Generals' troops.

As far as can be ascertained, the affair was not marked by any fighting, and Lu Tsi-ping, who was taken by surprise, has fled to an unknown destination.

General Ho Chien, on assuming the Chairmanship of the Provincial Government, emphasised that the whole affair is purely provincial and local in character, and that it will not disturb national interests generally.—*Reuter.*

## CHANG COME-BACK IN SHANTUNG.

JAPANESE COMPLICITY IS  
ALLEGED.

NANKING'S PROBLEM.

Nanking, Feb. 22.

Great interest in centred in the landing in Shantung of Chang Chung-chang, former ally of the late Chang Tso-lin. There is much speculation as to the course of the very considerable funds which he must have in order to attempt a "come-back" after his most complete defeat last year.

Also, the fact that he has been permitted to leave Dairen, is being commented upon. In this connexion, it is understood that the Japanese authorities state that they tried to stop him, but were too late.

It is pointed out here that any attempt by the Nationalist force to crush the Chang Chung-chang movement in Shantung would be rendered most difficult by the fact that Japanese troops occupy territory lying athwart the only feasible route by which the Nationalists could reach the disaffected area.

Local Chinese newspapers allege that the Japanese are assisting Chang Chung-chang, but the local Japanese Press deny this.—*Reuter.*

## MORE IMPRESSIONS OF FAR EAST.

M. ALBERT THOMAS AND  
COLLABORATION.

Geneva, Feb. 21.

Interviewed by journalists, M. Albert Thomas, who has just returned from a tour of the Far East, said that the ideas of the League of Nations were imperfectly understood in China and the Far East, but the Chinese Government had shown itself to be keenly interested.

There was apparently an opportunity for the League to watch the Pan-Asiatic movement and by wisely-directed propaganda to secure closer collaboration with the peoples of the Far East.—*Reuter.*

## AMAZING SWIMMING BY BORG.

BEATS WORLD RECORD BY  
21 SECONDS.

Brisbane, Feb. 21.

Arno Borg, the famous swimming champion, who has been breaking record after record and winning championships all through Australia, to-day swam 1,000 yards in 11 minutes 55 2/5ths seconds, thus beating his own world record by the remarkable margin of 21 2/5ths seconds.—*Reuter.*

The local weather forecast till noon to-morrow is:—Light S.E. or variable winds; generally fine, coastal fog.

## STEADY KOWLOON EXPANSION.

ANNUAL REPORT OF  
THE K.R.A.

COMMUNAL IMPROVEMENTS  
IN PAST YEAR.

USEFUL ACTIVITIES.

The Kowloon Residents' Association has to-day issued its report for 1928, in the form of a booklet detailing the multifarious activities of the General Committee.

The outstanding feature of the year, the report states, was the revival of the expansion of Kowloon which, halted in 1925, had moved but slowly in the two years succeeding. At the time of writing several magnificent blocks of flats are under construction, the Peninsula Hotel has been opened and the number of people thronging our thoroughfares have increased considerably. Large developments are in progress at Kowloon Tong, Kowloon City and other parts of the area.

Another noteworthy feature has been the opening of a branch of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

Council Members.

We have also to record that, what in 1924 was regarded as somewhat visionary, Kowloon is represented on the Legislative Council by two members. In reviewing the work of 1924, the then President expressed the hope that Kowloon would have representation on the Council and last year the matter was again vigorously commented on by the retiring President. We congratulate the two Kowloon residents who have now been chosen, and look forward to giving our assistance on all matters on which they may desire to be advised.

Plenty of Scope.

The Association always endeavours to keep its requests within reasonable bounds and there is still plenty of scope for the useful activity of such a body in expressing the aspirations and desires of a rapidly increasing population consisting as it does of all nationalities. A study of the correspondence will prove that your Committee has not hesitated to use its best endeavours to bring about those communal improvements, the need for which brought the Association into being.

The question of children's playgrounds has been kept to the front and Government has been requested to put more playgrounds at the disposal of the children of Kowloon. The need for more accommodation is very apparent and will become more and more acute as building progresses. The work of preparation for the new playground near Signal Hill is now in progress and it is hoped the ground will be ready for use as soon as possible.

Traffic Problems.

Several traffic matters have been brought to the attention of the Hon. Captain Superintendent of Police who has given them sympathetic consideration and prompt attention. A marked improvement has taken place during the year with regard to control of ricksha traffic. The noise made by motorcyclists thoughtlessly careering through residential quarters with open exhausts, has been considerably reduced and the Police have been of great assistance in stopping preventable noise after certain hours. There is still much room for the reduction of motor noises, particularly from 11 p.m. until dawn. This problem is being tackled in many cities and we hope that it will be kept constantly in mind here.

Trees in Nathan Road.

The question of the removal of trees in Nathan Road received the attention of the Committee and, although satisfactory replies were received, we record with regret that we were too late to save some of these magnificent trees.

In April last, your Committee called the attention of Government to the inadequate and unsuitable accommodation of the Central British School, pointing out that the present building was too small for the purpose and that its location was unsatisfactory.

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## YOUNG LADY AS STOWAWAY.

DOUBTFUL CLAIM TO U.S.  
NATIONALITY.

FOUND ON "EMPRESS."

Louise Gerald, twenty-four years of age, of New York, appeared before Major C. Willson this morning on a charge of arriving in this Colony on the Empress of Russia having obtained a passage from Shanghai to Hongkong without the permission or consent of the owners.

Sub-Inspector Elston, prosecuting, said the defendant was discovered on board the ship, after it had left Shanghai. In December, 1928, she arrived in Hongkong by slowing away from a B. and S. boat, but she was handed back to the ship and taken to Canton.

In 1927, she was arrested in Shanghai for attempted suicide, and, in the course of the case, the prosecution then mentioned that she had slowed away to Hongkong eight times.

Continuing, Sub-Inspector Elston said he understood from a representative of the Company that a lady passenger on the ship had taken an interest in the defendant's case and might help her.

## K.O.S.B. STABBING VERDICT.

Pte. Boyle Sentenced To  
Five Years.

JUDGE'S COMMENT.

Mr. Justice Wood this afternoon passed sentence of five years imprisonment with hard labour on Private James Boyle, of the K.O.S.B., who pleaded guilty on Wednesday to a charge of stabbing Sergeant Kerr, of the same regiment, on the troopship Somersetshire in October last year.

In passing sentence, His Lordship said that if Boyle had had to face the capital charge, he could see no grounds upon which any jury could have recommended him to mercy.

He would ask for a short remand to see what the lady in question would do for the defendant.

Sub-Inspector Elston concluded by stating that the defendant claimed to be American, but added that "her nationality is doubtful."

His Worship granted a remand until to-morrow morning.

## WASHINGTON POST FOR LINDBERGH.

TECHNICAL ADVISER FOR  
AERONAUTICS.

Washington, Feb. 21. Colonel Lindbergh, the famous Transatlantic flier, whose engagement was recently announced, has been appointed Technical Adviser to the Aeronautical branch of the Department of Commerce.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## AMERICAN CRUISER IN HURRY.

FORCED DRAUGHT FROM  
MANILA TO CHEFOO.

Manila, Feb. 22. The U.S. light-cruiser Trenton left for Chefoo last night under forced draught, and her arrival there may be expected on Sunday evening.—*Reuter.*

## MANCHURIA ISSUES.

Shanghai, Feb. 21. The Chinese Foreign Minister, Dr. C. T. Wang, has wired to the Kirin Provincial Government urging the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Chung Yu-chang, to come to Nanking in connexion with important foreign issues regarding Manchuria.

## CHINESE AVIATION ADVENTURE.

FLIGHT FROM BRITAIN  
TO NANKING.

SEVERE TEST FOR LIGHT  
AEROPLANE.

FUTURE OF AIRSHIPS.

London, Feb. 21.

Two Chinese aviators, Commander Yat Foo-pu, and Mr. Wen Lu-tsoh, are leaving London shortly on one of the most adventurous flights ever contemplated, by a Chinese.

They plan to fly to Nanking from London in a Cirrus-Avian two-seater light-aeroplane, one of those recently ordered by the Aviation Bureau, Nanking.

This will be the first attempt to fly a British machine from England to China. The plane is one of fourteen ordered by Nanking.

The wings will be fitted with the Handley-Page slotted wing, a device which is a wonderful protective against stalling.—*Reuter.*

British Airships.

It is announced in a British Wireless message that the two great airships, R.100 and R.101, Britain's great and costly experiment in giant lighter-than-air craft, are nearing completion. The R.100 is expected to be finished first. It is under construction at Howden, Yorkshire, and the final touches are now being applied.

After official tests in its shed, this enormous airship which will accommodate 100 passengers, will be launched and flown in a series of home trials.

Then it will cross the Atlantic in a test flight to Canada and the United States, returning to England with passengers, some of whom will pay £1,000 for the trip.

More Experimental.

Soon after the R.100 has taken the air it is expected that her sister ship, the R.101, will be launched at the Royal Airship Works, Cardington, near Bedford.

These American levitons will be 785ft. long as compared with the 730ft. of our British R.101, and will be driven by engines developing a total of 4,480 horse-power.

And even such mammoths are considered too small to work a regular all-weather airship service across the North Atlantic.

Looking Forward.

The Airship Guarantee Company, builders of the R.100, have plans in hand for a special "Atlantic" type, which will have a gas capacity of 9,500,000 cubic feet. This, it is calculated, will carry 160 passengers at 100 miles an hour.

Colossal lighter-than-air machines of as much as 15,000,000 and even 20,000,000 cubic feet gas capacity are now contemplated. A 15,000,000 cubic foot airship would be driven by engines developing 16,000 h.p., while in a 20,000,000 cubic foot airship it is calculated that as many as 1,000 passengers could be air-borne at high speed and in great luxury, accomplishing a journey between Europe and America in about 34 hours.

## JAPAN TAX TRANSFER BILL PASSED.

NARROW MARGIN IN LOWER  
HOUSE.

Tokyo, Feb. 21. The Tax Transfer Bill, which is one of the Government's main planks, has passed the Lower House by the narrow margin of fifteen votes.—*Reuter.*

## GAZETTE DU FRANC SCANDAL.

ABSCONDING BANKER GIVES  
HIMSELF UP.

EXTRADITION POINT.

Paris, Feb. 21.

M. Pacquement, an outside operator on the Bourse, who disappeared last month when the examining magistrate dealing with the *Gazette du Franc* scandal summoned him to give explanations of his connexion with the affair, has voluntarily surrendered himself to the French authorities.

He was arrested by the Swiss authorities at St. Gall, but after certain enquiries had been made, the Swiss Government refused to grant France's request for an extradition order on the ground that Pacquement was a Swiss citizen.

After Pacquement's flight from Paris was discovered, the failure of his banking business was announced, the estimated deficiency being in the region of 22,000,000 francs.

Pacquement to-day voluntarily submitted to arrest by the French authorities by crossing the Swiss border.—*Reuter.*

## MILDER WEATHER IN ENGLAND.

TEMPERATURE NORMAL FOR  
LATE FEBRUARY.

GREEK TRAGEDIES.

London, Feb. 21.

The Great Frost which had lasted ten days without break has gone. By mid-day to-day the temperature had jumped to 45 degrees (Fahrenheit) which is normal for late February, and two hours later it was forty-eight.

A general change to milder weather is stated to be in progress though slight night frosts may continue.

As a result of the thaw countless waterpipes which were frozen have burst and the plumber is a most sought personage to-day. Skating is still in progress. During the cold wave excellent skating has been enjoyed on a lake in the Buckingham Palace grounds by the Prince of Wales and his brothers. The Prince of Wales was on ice again to-day.—*British Wireless.*

Athens, Feb. 21.

The Minister of Communications who has just completed a tour of the flooded areas in Thrace, reports that 100,000 hectares of arable land have been flooded, and this has been practically frozen over as the result of the return of the cold.

The crops have been destroyed, and hundreds of head of cattle have perished. Several villages are isolated, and grave apprehension is felt regarding the fate of the inhabitants.

Greek and Turkish frontier authorities are co-operating in the work of relief.—*Reuter.*

## AIMEE McPHERSON KIDNAPPING.

JUDGE HARDY IMPEACHED  
IN CALIFORNIA.

Sacramento, Feb. 21.

The Legislative Assembly of California has decided on the recommendation of the committee of investigation, to impeach Judge Hardy, following his removal from the membership roll of the American Bar Association.

He admitted that he received a fee of \$2,500 from Mrs. Aimee McPherson, the well-known evangelist, which he said was for legal advice given prior to the time she was charged with conspiracy in connexion with her story of kidnapping.—*Reuter's American Service.*

## GENERAL HERTZOG'S NATIVE BILLS.

Capetown, Feb. 21.

The Coloured Persons Rights Bill was read a second time at the joint session of the two Houses to-day, the Government having a majority of seven. Seventy-five voted for and 68 against.—*Reuter.*

## \$150 MORE SENT FOR MINERS.

SECOND DRAFT OF  
LOCAL FUND.

HOPES OF DONATIONS FROM  
SWEEP WINNERS.

"EVERY \$5 MEANS \$1."

The second sum to be despatched to the Mansion House, London, from the *Telegraph* fund on behalf of distressed British miners and their families was cabled this morning. This was a draft for \$150, the previous remittance, sent a week ago, being for \$50.

This morning, further donations have been received, bringing the total so far subscribed beyond the \$2,500 mark.

We hope soon to be able to acknowledge further sums, and are looking to winners of cash sweep and pari-mutuel prizes. At the Races next week not to forget the claims of their suffering fellow-countrymen.

A Good Plan.

As has been previously suggested, a good plan would be for purchasers of tickets to make a re-arrangement that they will give to the Fund a percentage of any winnings they may be fortunate enough to secure.

It has been suggested by one of to-day's contributors that we should insert a coupon for the convenience of those wishing to subscribe, the idea being that this would prove handy and serve as a reminder to those who have not yet assisted the Fund. The coupon will be found at the foot of this column.

So Far Subscribed.

Donations already received by the *Telegraph* are as follows:  
Already acknowledged .... \$2,405.  
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We would again stress the need of continued support to the Fund, for news from Home shows that the calls on charity for these workless miners and their families must long continue, as the problem is one which will take much time to solve, and meantime aid is urgently required.

All monies subscribed to the Fund will be put to the very best possible use, and it must not be forgotten that the Government is making a grant on a £ for £ basis.

Typical Cases.

The following typical cases will illustrate the need for continued support to the Fund:

Widow and two unemployed sons.—One son gets unemployment benefit 17s. per week and widow receives 7s. 6d. relief. Rent takes 7s. 2d. per week, leaving 17s. 4d. for three—an average of 5s. 9d. per person.

Husband, wife and three children.—Husband unemployed since 1921, except for six months road-making. No unemployment benefit. Relief granted 18s. per week. Rent takes 6s., leaving 13s. for five persons, or 2s. 7d. per head.

Husband, wife and ten children.—A boy of 16 is the oldest of the children, but has not been able to obtain work. The husband has been unemployed since 1921. Family receives relief of 85s. per week. Rent takes 10s., leaving 25s., or 2s. 5d. per person per week.

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ROYAL ARROW  
TRAGEDY.

PETERSEN NOT GUILTY OF  
MANSLAUGHTER.

ABRUPT ENDING.

Louis Petersen, a seaman on the s.s. Royal Arrow was found not guilty of manslaughter at the Criminal Sessions yesterday after the charge had been reduced from one of murder.

When the Court resumed after the tiffin adjournment, Mr. Fitzroy said that in view of the medical evidence, it had been decided to reduce the charge to one of manslaughter, after which his Lordship told the jury they would consider the evidence on that charge.

In the course of his evidence, Bernson, the only eye witness of the affair, stated that after the blow had been struck he went out of the cabin to get a fireman, leaving Zetterberg by himself lying on the bunk. When witness returned he found that Zetterberg was in a chair.

Replying to his Lordship on this point, Mr. Fitzroy said that either Zetterberg was still alive then or he was moved to the chair by somebody.

Witness stated he thought that someone must have moved the man. He continued that he went a distance of about 20 feet from the cabin when he met a fireman, and was away for between five and ten minutes. He could have seen the door of the cabin had he looked but he did not do so.

Before going out, witness spoke to Zetterberg, who did not reply. He did not touch the man.

Mr. Fitzroy:—Under those circumstances do you know or don't you know if Zetterberg was alive?—I believed him to be dead.

His Lordship:—It looks as though he was not dead.

His Lordship put it to witness that Zetterberg was not dead but got into the chair himself.

Bernson replied he could not explain it but perhaps the Chief Assistant did it.

Counting the Days.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sheldon Bernson said that he, Zetterberg and Petersen were friendly and there was no enmity between them. They took 29 days to get from San Pedro, their last port, to Hongkong.

Then you went 29 days without a drink?—Yes.

And as the voyage progressed you were looking forward to getting a drink again?—I did not worry about it. I don't drink so much.

Did you say at the Police Court that you were counting the days before you could get a drink?—I was counting the days but not before I could get a drink.

Do I understand you to say that from the time the ship reached Hongkong until the death of Zetterberg you were in a more or less sober condition?—I was not drunk.

In reply to further questions witness said that he was a bit dizzy before supper and then sobered up. This was on the day of their arrival in Hongkong.

Bought Liquor Immediately.

Mr. Sheldon: How long after your arrival did you buy liquor?—Immediately, as someone came on board straight away. I bought beer and whiskey.

Were you going to drink two bottles of whiskey and a dozen bottles of beer yourself?—No. I was going to share it with my friends.

Did you drink three bottles of beer and a certain amount of whiskey between 12 and 2.30?—Yes. About two fingers of whiskey in a coffee cup.

And did that affect you at all?—No.

Between those times you were supposed to be on duty?—Yes. I did not drink after two o'clock. I was told to go off duty at two o'clock.

The reason you were told to take a later watch was because

you were drunk?—Mr. McDermott said I was drunk but I was not.

In reply to other questions Bernson said he was in the cabin at 5 p.m. with the others. He had a beer occasionally but did not have much to drink. They were also drinking from 5.30 onwards. He thought he only had beer from 5.30 onwards, but there was some whiskey left in a bottle and he might have had a little of that.

Mr. Sheldon: You drank so much that you can't remember what you did drink. That's the true story isn't it?—I don't remember that I was drunk.

Absolutely Drunk.

Just before the blow was struck both Petersen and Zetterberg were absolutely drunk weren't they?—Yes.

Blind drunk?—Yes they were very drunk.

Did you hear Mr. McDermott, say at the Police Court that when he went into the cabin you were the most obviously drunk of the three?—Yes, but that was untrue.

Bernson further stated that he never took liquor in such quantities that he did not know what he was doing. It was suggested to him that just before leaving San Pedro he went on board the ship drunk and that on the following morning he had to ask Petersen what had happened, and that he was told he had been sent to his cabin. Witness said the story was not true but he remembered telling Petersen that he was sick from alcohol.

In reply to other questions Bernson said there was a good deal of conversation about money which Zetterberg said he had lost. He said it had been lost in the cabin and said that Bernson ought to know something about it as he had been in the cabin all afternoon. It was a main topic of conversation but there was also a discussion about boxing.

Zetterberg Furious.

Mr. Sheldon: I put it to you that Zetterberg was furious with you, that he accused you of stealing the money and that the money was the main topic of conversation up to the time Zetterberg was killed?—He was furious only because he was drunk.

Mr. Sheldon also cross-examined on the alleged removal of Zetterberg from the bunk to a chair, Bernson saying that Zetterberg was in the chair when he returned to the cabin. He could not explain how it was that three other men had said that Zetterberg was on the bunk at that time. Witness admitted that he was too drunk to know what happened and said that Petersen left the cabin after the blow had been struck.

Mr. Sheldon: I suggest that this story about boxing is pure imagination and that the conversation was devoted to the missing money?—No it was about boxing.

Did you see Zetterberg throw a bottle which struck Petersen over the right eye and knock him out?—No.

Witness explained that he gave Petersen a black eye when he separated him from Zetterberg.

Prisoner Discharged.

Closing his cross-examination Mr. Sheldon suggested that all three men were drunk and that it was just as likely that Bernson had used the bottle as Petersen and that if he had done so he could not strike Zetterberg with the bottle.

Mr. Somerset Fitzroy re-examined briefly, after which Mr. Justice Wood pointed out to the jury that the case for the Crown rested entirely on the evidence of Bernson. He thought at that stage they should consider the evidence of Bernson and find from it whether Petersen did strike Zetterberg.

The jury had a brief consultation and informed his Lordship that they were not prepared to convict on the evidence of Bernson.

His Lordship: That means that you will not hear any more evidence and return a verdict of not guilty.

Petersen was then discharged.

## SIR HENRY MAY.

PORTRAIT UNVEILED BY  
THE GOVERNOR.

H. E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., visited the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, last evening, unveiling a portrait of Sir Henry May who was President of the Association for twelve years. His Excellency was welcomed by the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., the president of the Association and after the portrait had been unveiled in the lounge Sir Cecil said:

The whole of Sir Henry May's life, from 1881 to 1919, save for a brief absence of little more than a year in Fiji, was identified with the fortunes of the Colony of Hongkong, and for seven years, from 1912 to 1919, he was Governor of the Colony. It is difficult for me to say all that I feel about Sir Henry May, for I loved him and was intimately associated with him, both in public and in private life.

When he was Colonial Secretary, from 1907 to 1909, I was his Assistant Colonial Secretary, and when he administered the Government in 1910, I was his Private Secretary. This, however, is not an occasion on which it is proper to speak of the eminent life-long service given to Hongkong by Sir Henry May as an administrator, and I need only mention briefly what he did for the Young Men's Christian Association in this Colony.

Work for Y.M.C.A.

He was President of the Association for twelve years, and during that time he took the keenest interest in its work. He was largely instrumental in procuring for the Association the fine site upon which stands the building in which we now are. He also collected considerable subscriptions towards the building fund of the Association, being himself a generous contributor to that fund.

It is therefore, right and proper that his portrait should have an honoured place in this institution to remind all who come here of the debt which they owe him and, more than that, to encourage them to lead the life of Christian endeavour, of fortitude in adversity, and of courage in well-doing, of which he was a signal example.

His Excellency then inspected the building accompanied by Capt. Whyte, Mr. W. L. Pattenden and Mr. John H. Hunt, secretary of the Y.M.C.A.

The Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Association was held immediately afterwards, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock presiding.

Sir Henry said that the question of the Red Triangle magazine was raised at the last annual meeting but it had been found impossible to start the paper again. He had been speaking to the Secretary that afternoon and he thought that it was not practicable to resume publication of the Red Triangle.

The report, he continued, showed many activities and he was particularly pleased to notice the growing library, from which he had just taken a book which he had not come across elsewhere. Sir Henry also referred to the sporting and other activities and also to the Naval and Military work which had been greatly assisted by the Grand Tattoo. In connexion with that he thought they should pass a vote of thanks to the members of the committees responsible for its organisation. He would like to mention Mr. R. Sutherland who although in indifferent health continued with the work until forced to give up and take a holiday. Then there was Lt. Col. Comyn, Mr. W. L. Pattenden and Mr. J. H. Hunt who

## ANTARCTIC SURVEY.

AUSTRALIA ORGANISING  
AN EXPEDITION.

Canberra, Feb. 21.

Mr. Bruce announced in the House of Representatives that the Government had decided to organise an expedition to the Antarctic under the leadership of Sir Douglas Mawson.

It will probably sail at the end of the year, and explore the Australian sector of the Antarctic between Ross Sea and - Endorby Land, investigate economic resources and carry out a hydrographic survey. The expedition will use aeroplanes inland; and will investigate the commercial possibilities of whaling.

The British Government has placed Captain Scott's famous ship Discovery, now in service at the Falklands, at the disposal of the expedition gratis. The cost of the expedition is estimated at £10,000, of which New Zealand has offered to contribute £2,500.

The British and New Zealand Governments have been invited to nominate representatives for the scientific personnel.—*Reuter*.

The Byrd Expedition.

New York, Feb. 21.

The discovery of a vast new Antarctic territory, which he claimed for the United States, is described by Commander Byrd in a despatch to the New York Times and associated newspapers.

The territory was discovered by two aeroplanes in an extensive flight, and has been named Marie Byrd Land, after the explorer's wife.

Byrd also claims that he discovered a second new mountain range, with 10,000 feet peaks, situated in Marie Byrd Land, between Ross Sea and Grahams Land, outside the British territory. The range lies east and south of the first range recently discovered by Byrd, and named Rockefeller Range, which is in New Zealand territory.

About 40,000 square miles of the Antarctic have been explored by air by the Byrd expedition.

Mapping from the Air.

Byrd's aeroplanes in their last flight mapped the Rockefeller Range with an aero camera, while Captain Ashley McKinley, of the army air service, mapped an uncharted coastline east of the Bay of Whales.

Doctor Isaiah Bowman, Director of the National Geographic Society, commenting on Byrd's discoveries, says he seems now definitely to have begun the big job of exploring the interior of the Antarctic. The results of the flight just concluded may be regarded as forecasting the eventual success of his programme, this year or next, when longer flights will be undertaken, now that the "breaking in" period of aeroplane exploration has finished.—*Reuter's American Service*.

had all performed yeoman service in the Tattoo organisation.

Doing Good Work.

Sir Henry said that during the past year the Association had been put to heavy expenses which would not however, be recurring. He was convinced that the Association was doing good work and he felt proud that he was entering on the tenth year of his presidency, being the successor to Sir Henry May whose portrait had just been unveiled by H. E. the Governor.

Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Mr. L. D. Scott and Mr. W. H. Bell were re-elected directors on the proposal of Mr. W. E. Robinson, seconded by Mr. H. J. Fountain, the meeting concluding with a vote of thanks to the chairman proposed by Mr. P. S. Cassidy.

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Two of Hongkong's best-known and most talented musical enthusiasts, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith, provided the programme for the musicale held at the Helena May Institute last evening. They presented a really delightful offering of vocal and instrumental numbers, in which they had the valued assistance of Mrs. Hargreaves Browne as accompanist.

Mrs. Bowes-Smith has seldom, if ever, been heard in finer voice, and she was loudly applauded for her artistic and understanding interpretations. Of the various numbers which she contributed, possibly the operatic songs in English were most enjoyed, in which connexion special mention must be made of Butterfly's Aria from "Madame Butterfly," which was very finely sung. Her group of four English songs were also much enjoyed, not the least of these being her husband's "Good-bye, Dear Heart."

As a keen and talented pianist, Mr. Bowes-Smith is already well known. Last evening he further added to his reputation by the excellence of his playing. His Chopin numbers were very well done, especially the charming Valse in E Flat. The difficult Etude in E Minor was also another triumph.

A special word should be added regarding the accompaniments for the vocal items, by Mrs. Hargreaves Browne, which were most sympathetically played.

The annotated programme, specially prepared for the occasion, was much appreciated.

Not only was the recital enjoyed by those present; it was also put "on the air" and so was heard by many not actually present.

## "ON APPROVAL."

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL  
PERFORMANCE.

Few forms of theatre entertainment are more enjoyable than straight, clean comedy, and when to that is added excellent acting, staging and general production, it is certain that a very pleased and appreciative audience will result. This is what happened at the Theatre Royal last night, when the A.D.C. gave its second performance of "On Approval"—a bright and entertaining comedy, well written by Frederick Lonsdale. There is much sarcasm but humorous dialogue, and the "action" of the play is extremely simple and always attractive. Perhaps the ending could have been improved, for one was left wondering what was going to happen. But that is the fault of the author and not of the producer, to whom must go hearty congratulations.

As stated above, the production, which is undertaken by Mrs. F. G. Hunt, is excellent. The two interior scenes are delightful, the lighting and lighting being very good indeed. The whole production bears the impress of having been studiously undertaken, and is well up to A.D.C. standard.

There are only four characters in the play, these being the Duke of Bristol (Mr. M. M. Maas), Richard Hulton (Mr. B. L. Selon-winton), Mrs. Maria Wisluck (Mrs. Davidson) and Helen Hayle (Mrs. Green-smith). The whole of the acting is really splendid, and when one says that after listening to four characters sustain a long three-act play, it will be realised that the characterisation is very good indeed. All members of the cast have parts of about equal length, and the excellence of the interpretations is one of the outstanding features of a wholly good show. It is being repeated to-night and to-morrow.

WOMAN'S WORLD  
FOR OUR LADY READERS.

## Tinkling Jewels From Far Zanzibar.



A rare collection from Zanzibar and British East Africa recently arrived in America, includes a necklace of amber and silver, bracelets, earrings, a lipstick and chin chain of silver and anklets and sandals of heavily engraved silver. In the inset is a native earring of brass coils and bright beads, one side of a head-piece of beads and an anklet of links and bells.

## Wrong Dressing.

AS OTHERS SEE US.

Having looked upon clothes at their best, women find it hard to appreciate the well-meant efforts of those who make the second best. That is how some women feel when they have been to one of the mannequin parades which now take place daily in Paris. At many collections, however, the dresses were up to the last notch of the mode.

And yet, how is it, with so many lovely frocks to choose from, that there are so few really well-dressed women to be seen in the ordinary ways of life? Even in Paris, in the places where well-dressed women are supposed to congregate, more than half of them will fail to please the eye, not of the connoisseur, but of the everyday on-looker.

The secret of this failure must be lack of the power to see ourselves as others see us. We choose the wrong clothes because we see ourselves wrong. Again, we are too easily over-persuaded by the flattery of a sales-woman or the opinion of a not candid enough friend.

A woman who would dress well must be truthful with herself. If she is plump, let her recognise it, and choose dresses which make her look slim. If she is colourless, let her then have dresses which make her look warmer, in tint.

In a word, let her seek out her weak points, remember her age, her circumstances, and choose clothes to go with them all, or to modify them.

Possibilities in Tulle. There are for trimming evening frocks new Bohemian beads, finely cut, so that they gleam and glitter like diamonds. You can get them

On Jumping To  
Conclusions.

Much of the mischief that is done in the world every day is said to be due to woman's habit of jumping to conclusions.

If the conclusions reached were always right; of course, no more would be heard about them, but, naturally, when action has been taken, friendship ended perhaps, or weighty decisions reversed, because a woman has somehow "sensed" the position and it has proved the wrong one, it is no wonder that man's slower but more reliable methods are held up for admiration.

The difficulty in curing Eve of her undoubted weakness for jumping to conclusions comes, however, from the fact that she is so often right in her lightning judgments; for, let men say what they will, there is a great deal in intuition, and women have, as a rule, a greater share of it than men.

But intuition should never be allowed to sway the mind. It should only be used as a pointer, directing the attention to dangers or to possibilities.

The woman who has intuition, who jumps to possible solutions, but who holds as an iron rule that proof must be forthcoming before judgment is given, is the one who knows how to make use of the great gift of intuition.

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## Paris Shows.

WAR ON FASHION PIRATES.

As part of the war which leading Paris dressmakers have declared on the pirates who copy their exclusive models and involve them annually in losses said to amount to more than £1,000,000 drastic restrictions will be placed on fashion writers for newspapers and periodicals, says a writer in a Home paper of last month.

The eight leading firms that have combined together to wage the war are carefully scrutinising the list of buyers who will be admitted to the advance showing of models in February, and even a plan for their identification by means of finger-prints has been considered.

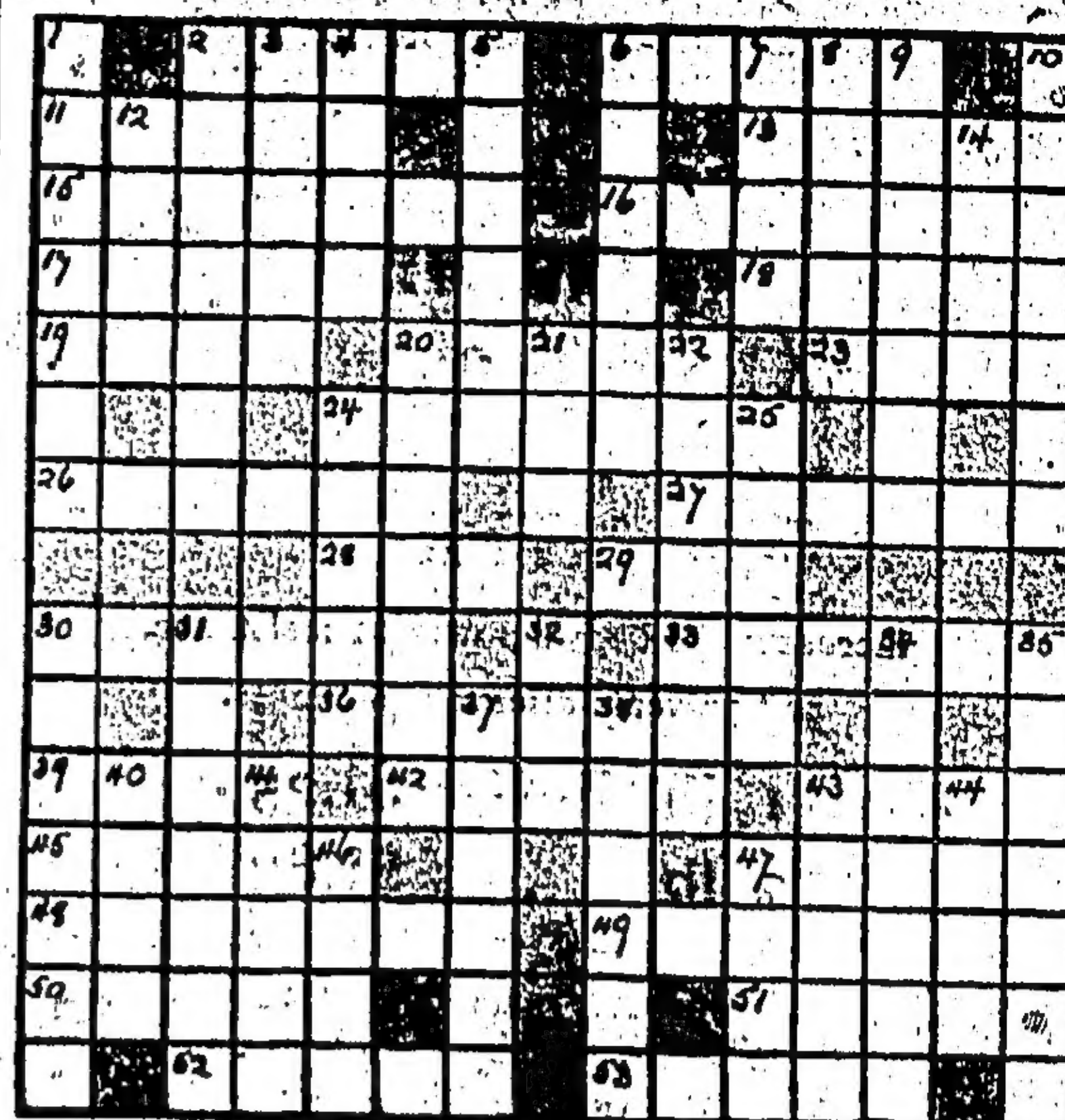
In the past, models were bought, taken to hotels for what purported to be private showings, and there copied and their exclusiveness destroyed. Copies often reached the United States and England before the originals had been launched.

The leading dressmakers have now decided to cease delivery of models in Paris and even on shipboard, and to make delivery direct to the head office of the firm which the buyer represents.

The same kind of pirating exists on a still larger scale in the millinery trade, but is even more difficult to suppress. Most of the hat pirates come from Berlin and London.

can have a soft ribbon bow on the shoulder, or you can wear a big tulle choker attached to the waist, or to a tulle scarf with flowing ends. Of fancy brooches and clasps there is no end. It is a wise thing to look through all your old boxes, to see what can be found!

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- 15 More circular.
- 16 Common bird.
- 17 Blockheads.
- 18 English county.
- 19 Fruit.
- 20 Give back.
- 23 Margin.
- 24 Pledged words.
- 25 Thought.
- 27 Parts of staircases.
- 28 Metal.
- 29 Poem.
- 30 Occult.
- 33 Divine message.
- 36 Inn.
- 39 Health resorts.
- 42 The Word.
- 43 Kind of rope.
- 45 Cask of 42 gallons.
- 47 More uncommon.
- 48 Re-invent.
- 49 Broad shallow basket.
- 50 Combating ground.
- 51 Sepulchral slab.
- 52 Writing tables.
- 53 Dismal.

Down.

- 1 Erased.
- 2 Article of food.
- 3 Interior.
- 4 Places of rest.
- 5 Pastry.
- 6 Small roll of aromatic paste.
- 7 Clothed.
- 8 Wearies.

Down.

- 9 Cringing.
- 10 Paucity.
- 12 Ascended.
- 14 Pure.
- 20 Fundamental.
- 21 Whisky saying.
- 22 Attach muscles to bones.
- 24 Little.
- 25 Prophets.
- 30 Violent cold north-west wind.
- 31 Wearing a scarf.
- 32 Small cask.
- 34 Hire by contract.
- 35 Beg.
- 37 Vocal sounds.
- 38 Startled.
- 40 Peep.
- 41 Small cake.
- 43 Army allowance to East Indian officers.
- 44 Barter.
- 46 Ages.
- 47 Scheme.

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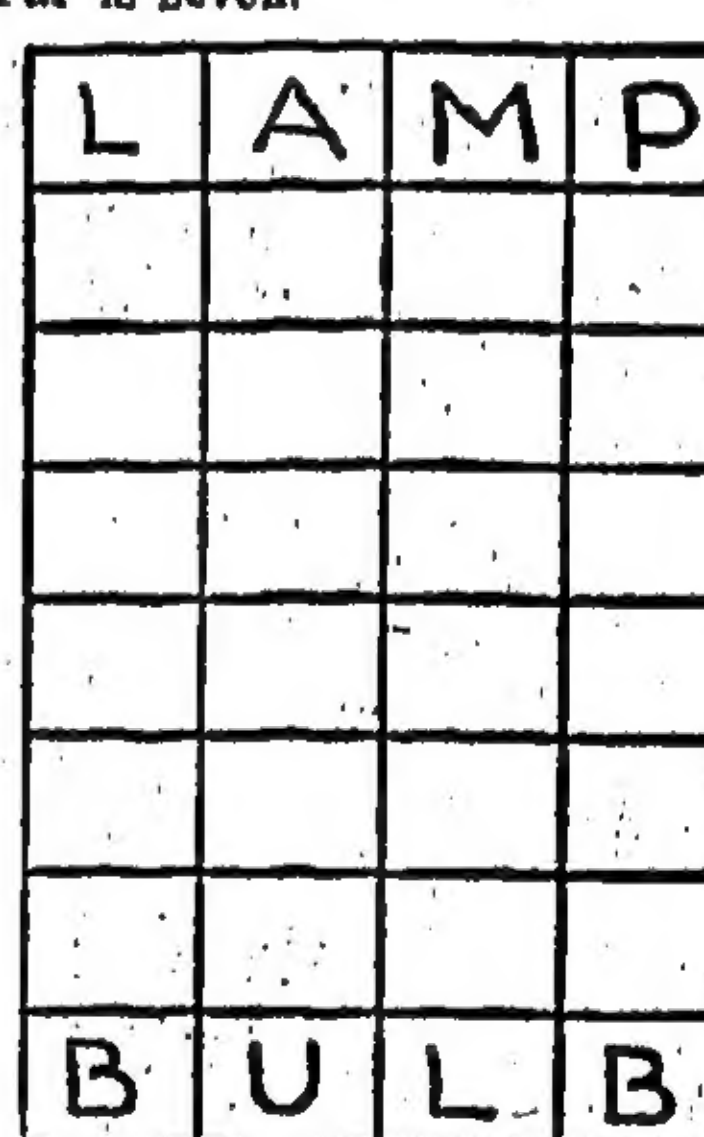
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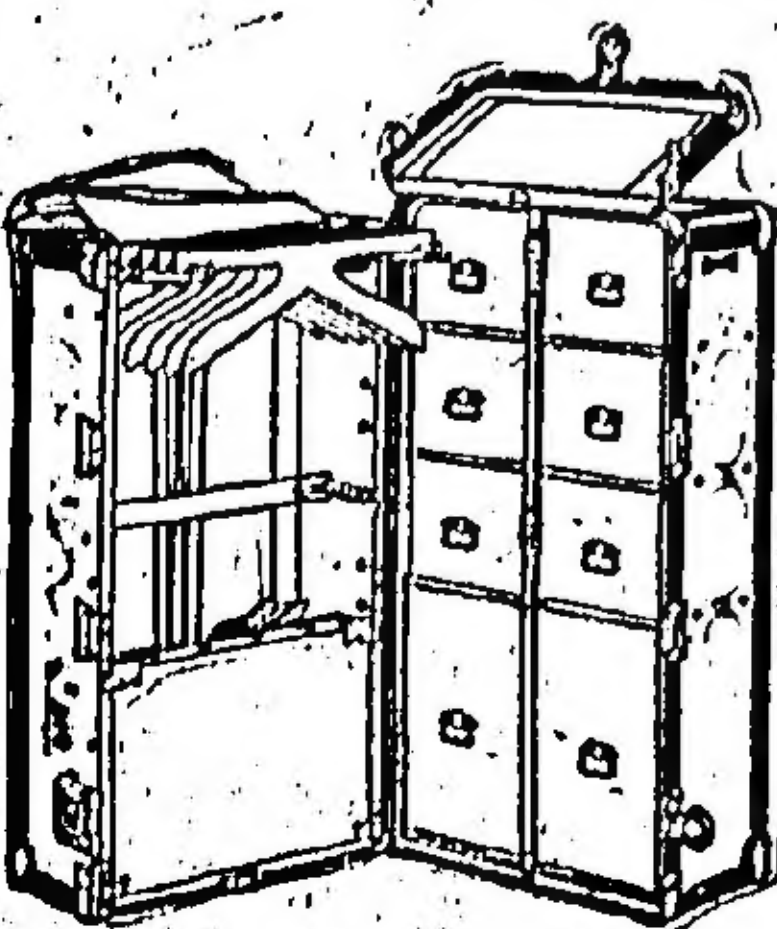
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## THE HANKOW ISSUES.

The action of the Hupoh Provincial Government in taking over the former German and Russian Concessions in Hankow, and incorporating them into the Wuhan Municipal Council, has caused a deal of heart-burning amongst foreigners there. Hitherto, these Special Administrative Districts have been separate units, administered as such, with due regard to the international interests in each. By the act of a purely local Government, however, their Constitutions have been cancelled—a step which Sir Austen Chamberlain has just described in the House of Commons as being retrograde in character. The whole matter is now being taken up by Sir Miles Lampson with the National Government, in the hope that some arrangement may be reached so as to preserve some form of foreign representation in these areas.

Quite recently, a meeting of those interested in the affairs of the two Districts was held at Hankow, and it will throw light on the matter if we give some idea of the complaints voiced at that gathering. It would appear that in December last, rumours began to circulate of the possibility of the status of the Concessions being changed, but that when Sir Miles Lampson took the matter up with Dr. C. T. Wang, the latter assured him that there was no intention of altering existing conditions. Later, the Senior Consul, Mr. Timann, interviewed the Chinese Commissioner for Foreign Affairs on the subject, and this official stated that, although the matter was under consideration, no definite decision had been reached. According, however, to the Chairman of the meeting referred to, on the very date on which this assertion was made the Provincial Government issued the order abolishing the then existing Administrations. A charge of broken faith is brought under this heading, and this is further backed up by a reminder that, at a meeting of S.A.D. No. 2 held in April, 1927, an intimation was received from the Hupoh Provincial Political Committee to the effect that the Central Executive Committee had decided that the three Special Districts in Hankow were to be put jointly under the direction of the Foreign Ministry of the National Government. That statement was regarded as

quite bona fide from the fact that all subsequent Directors were appointed by the National Government. The procedure accorded with foreign views; it being held that all matters affecting foreign nationals should be in the care of the National Government. To use the words of the Chairman at the meeting of protest, "It is totally wrong that a Provincial Government should arrogate to itself to undo agreements entered into by the National Government, and there is no limit to the consequences that may be expected to follow upon such a precedent. If once tolerated."

The chief ground for objection to the change is that there is no guarantee that due attention will be given to the interests and further development of these two special Districts or that the money levied from them will not be spent for the benefit of the Wuhan area generally. In the past, the main safeguard has been that, under the old regulations, the Districts have only been taxed for the purpose of the respective areas, but, says the spokesman for the complaining interests, "we now find ourselves deprived of this safeguard, and there is nothing at all to safeguard us against the risks of unlimited taxation, not for our own benefit, but for the benefit of others. We stand the risk," he adds, "not only of excessive taxation, but of seeing these two areas, which have been developed with our money, neglected and gradually deteriorating to the condition of the areas around them." Moreover, whilst these Districts are to be taxed as part of Wuhan, there is not the slightest suggestion that foreigners should be granted the right to reside or own property in other parts of Wuhan—a circumstance which is cited as a most flagrant example of unequal treatment. Sufficient has been said to illustrate the sense of grievance under which foreign interests labour, and it is to be hoped, as Sir Austen Chamberlain put it, that a friendly and satisfactory settlement of these issues will soon be reached.

## Safety on Railways.

The general reputation of the Ministry of Transport as one of the fastest-moving of our Government institutions suggests that, in taking more than three months over the inquiry into the Chienfeng railway disaster, the official tribunal has gone very deeply into the whole question of safety measures on the railways. The recommendations in the report issued yesterday may be taken as the result of a very close examination of the present conditions, and of means to their betterment. The Chienfeng wreck will be remembered as the worst of a most remarkable and almost unprecedented series of mishaps on British railways, which gave pride in their comparative immunity beforehand a severe shock. The horrors of the smash were enhanced by the bursting into flames of several of the coaches of the mail express, a number of imprisoned passengers being burned to death. The Ministry of Transport attributes the fire directly to the use of gas-lighting in the passenger coaches, and strongly urges the desirability of using electricity instead. It is pointed out that of twenty-two fires after train mishaps in the course of thirty years, no fewer than fourteen were the result of escaping gas. The recommendation now made will be difficult to ignore. In fact, we are of the opinion that the introduction of electricity has only been delayed by the slump in revenue common to all systems, the cost of conversion being no doubt fairly considerable. This recommendation is, however, concerned with avoiding new dangers. In the event of an accident, the Ministry has further suggested a means by which the immediate effect of a crash may be lessened. It is no less than that all steel vans should be placed at the front and rear of all passenger coaches, in addition to shock-absorbing buffers or collision tenders for the coaches. The practical nature of the suggestion is a matter more for engineering experts, or Einstein theorists, than for the layman; but on the face of it, the prospect of the steel van taking the worst of the shock seems reasonable. The companies owe it to their patrons, and to their own reputation, to give serious consideration to the Ministry's recommendations.

## DAY BY DAY.

WOMEN ARE WORSHIPPERS OF SUCCESS—THAT HAS BEEN IN THEIR NATURES SINCE THEY WERE THE PRIZES OF CONQUEST.—Guy Fleming.

Marshal Li Chai-sum left Shanghai at 6.30 p.m. last night by special train and arrived in Canton at 10 p.m.

H.M.S. Cornflower has arrived at Shanghai from Hongkong, while H.M.S. Sepoy has left the Northern port for Nanking.

The Canton Gazette states that Mr. Chen Min-luan, a native of Fukien, is reported to have left Hamburg on a flight to China.

Six further Chinese cases of small-pox were notified yesterday—three each from Kowloon and Victoria. Two Chinese cases of typhoid were also recorded.

We are asked to state that the motor cycle rally organised by St. Peter's Young Men's Club will be drawn on Tuesday next, February 26th at 9 p.m. in the Club House.

The Hongkong Stock Exchange will be closed at noon on race days on Monday, February 25, Tuesday, February 26, Wednesday, February 27 and Saturday, March 2.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. W. Bruce Patey, master mariner, of the a.s. Hal Ning, to Miss P. E. George, school mistress, of the Naval Yard, Kowloon.

Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation are reminded that the Bank's annual meeting takes place tomorrow, Saturday, at noon, at the City Hall.

Amongst the passengers who arrived by the Empress of Russia were Lady Ho Kai, Mrs. R. J. Paterson, Mr. V. Haimovitch, Mr. W. Hill, Mr. Eric Moller, Mr. C. A. Peel and Mr. L. P. Clifton.

A Chinese youth, named Fu Pong, aged fourteen, was removed to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday with a deep cut on his left cheek, received in the course of a fight with another boy in Shanghai Street.

It is advertised that the fortieth ordinary annual meeting of shareholders of the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., will be held at the offices of the company, St. George's Building, on Wednesday, March 13, at noon.

Removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital from No. 177, Shanghai Street, a Chinese woman, suffering from the effects of opium poisoning, died shortly after admission yesterday afternoon. It is believed that the opium was self-administered.

Messrs. Nestle's have a most attractive window display at Lane Crawford's. Surrounded by Nestle's milk and chocolate products is "The World's Cow," symbolising Nestle's. It is a Holstein, true to life, which moves its mouth, eyelids, ears and tail in a most natural fashion. Not everyone notices that the cow's markings are a map of the world.

A knife seemingly used by gardeners for cutting vegetables formed the subject of a charge of unlawful possession against a Chinese before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. According to the evidence the defendant, who was stopped at 3.45 a.m. on the Cheung Sha Wan Road yesterday, was seen to throw the weapon away. His Worship remanded the defendant till tomorrow to consider the case.

## 21 YEARS AGO.

## SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended Feb. 22nd, 1908.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1st. 11.1/16d.

Mr. C. S. Gubbay was appointed a Director of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

The death occurred, at the age of 68 years, of Captain W. F. Johnstone, well-known in the East.

## THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

Numerous Pictures of Topical Interest.

To-morrow's issue of the Telegraph Art Supplement will contain numerous pictures of topical interest.

Sporting events will be covered by photographs dealing with the Interport Paper Hunt at Canton, the Fanning Hunt steeplechase meeting, the Shanghai v. United Services football match, and the Army and Navy cricket match, whilst there will be groups of the Hongkong Hockey Club team and the football team of sub-marine L.3.

A picture of considerable interest will be H.M.S. Moth aground below Wuchow, whilst H.E. Vice-Admiral Wainwright's official visit to Canton will be illustrated.

Other pictures will include one taken on the occasion of the visit of H.E. the Governor and members of the Councils to the Shing Mun Valley; the construction of a water tank in Western Street; the A.D.C. production of "On Approval"; the wedding of Mr. A. E. Contes and Miss G. H. M. de Souza; the tablet unveiled by Mr. Ho Kom-tong at the Hei-nan May Institute; and a group of the Flying Squad of the Police Reserve.

for his association with the China Merchants Steam Navigation Co.

The Hongkong A.D.C. gave a successful performance of "The Liars."

The Hongkong Milling Co., Ltd., reported a profit for the year of \$161,262.

The Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd., proposed a dividend of \$1.75 per share.

## EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Feb. 21.
Paris	124.25
New York	4.85 11/32
Brussels	34.04 1/2
Geneva	25.23 1/4
Amsterdam	12.11 1/2
Milan	22.50
Berlin	20.44 1/2
Stockholm	18.20 1/2
Copenhagen	18.19 1/2
Oslo	18.19 1/2
Vienna	34.53 1/2
Prague	103 1/2
Helsingfors	102 1/2
Madrid	31.20 1/2
Lisbon	109 1/2
Athens	375
Bucharest	813
Rio	5.29 3/4
Buenos Aires	47.9 3/4
Bombay	1/3
Shanghai	2/3
Hongkong	1/11 1/2
Yokohama	1/10 1/2
Silver (spot and forward)	25.13 1/16

—British Wireless.

## The Very Idea!

The other day a friend, an Inspector of Schools, related an amusing personal experience. He paid what is known as a "pop visit" to a certain denominational school in his area. This was one of those schools conducted by devoted ladies of a religious teaching order.

When the Inspector got to the school about 11 o'clock in the morning he was surprised to see all the children on their knees in prayer. This was long after the time allotted to religious teaching. The teacher turned round and saw the Inspector, but she acted promptly, knocking her desk, she said: "Children, you may rise. Your prayer is answered. The Inspector has arrived."

Clark at Stratford, What is your husband? Woman: By profession he gets his living from the dogs and the horses—by racing.

Faultless was the name of a defendant at Tottenham.

Man at Highbury: My landlady has told me to quit as I am not in bed punctually by 10 o'clock every night.

Policeman at Penge: I saw the defendant, whose bicycle was broken, riding the machine on the footpath. When I told him he would be summoned, he said: "Troubles never come alone."

Speaking in the Parish Council Hall, Colinton, in support of a motion to form a branch of the British Legion, Mr. A. Stewart told the following Army story:

The colonel of the regiment was speaking to a Tommy about to be demobilised at the end of the war, and it so happened that this Tommy had a peculiar hatred of his sergeant-major.

"Well," said the Colonel, "and what's the first thing you'll do when you get demobbed?"

"I'll go right up and punch the sergeant-major's nose, sir," replied the man.

"Oh, no, you won't, my lad," said the Colonel.

"I beg your pardon, sir, I will." "No, you won't," reiterated the Colonel. "You will just line up in the queue and take your turn along with the rest."

To-day's Dog Story.—"Some years ago," writes a correspondent, "an Irish friend told me—apropos of that strange sense some dogs seem to possess—of a spaniel he had which was accustomed to follow him everywhere with his gun. When Mr. S. left home to go to college he gave the old dog to his married brother, who had a place some two miles away.

"The first time Mr. S. returned home there was a scratching and whining outside the gunroom door, and there was the spaniel waiting as much as to say, 'Here am I, master, where is your gun?' Each subsequent visit the same thing happened, whether he was expected or not. Within a few moments of his arrival old Nell would present herself at the door of the gunroom and remain during his visit, though she was perfectly content in her new quarters while he was away. How could she know he was there?"

Short and snappy articles about religion tend to destroy the religion which they want to help.—The Bishop of Manchester.

It is easier chess that we want.—Sir Hilton Young.

Research is rather like the wild flower, which grows in unexpected places, and does not always take kindly to planting in the garden.—Sir William Bragg.

While we ought to help lame dogs over stiles, we should not be expected to carry them on our back to the next stile.—Prebendary Gough.

A certain politician had a great idea of his own importance. One day, while staying at a country house, he came down to breakfast a little early, and found only one other guest at table. As he entered this person instantly rose.

"Sit down! Sit down!" exclaimed the politician, waving his hand with a kindly, patronising air.

The other stared at him. "What's the matter with you?" he asked, with upraised eyebrows. "Can't I reach for the marmalade if I like?"

An armed robbery occurred in the early hours of this morning, when a Chinese woman of No. 72, Canton Road, was surprised by the entry of three men into her house. From a brief police report it is learned that the men stole \$12 in silver and took away five gold rings. One of the men was armed with a dagger. Full details are at present not available, but it is known that the robbers on leaving the premises ran away in the direction of Yau-mat.

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COMMON ERRORS  
IN BRIDGE  
AND HOW TO  
CORRECT THEM  
by W.W. Wentworth

## IGNORING CHANCE FOR DOUBLE FINESSE

North (Dummy)—  
K 4  
Q A 5 2  
J 8 6 4  
A Q 10

West leads ♠ K  
East—

South (Declarer)—  
A Q 9 8 7  
J 10 8  
Q A 5 2  
A 10

The Bidding: South obtains the contract for one spade. Declaring the Play: West leads King of hearts. Declarer takes it with Ace of heart. How should Declarer play to make game?

The Error: After drawing trumps Declarer leads a small club and finessees Queen of clubs.

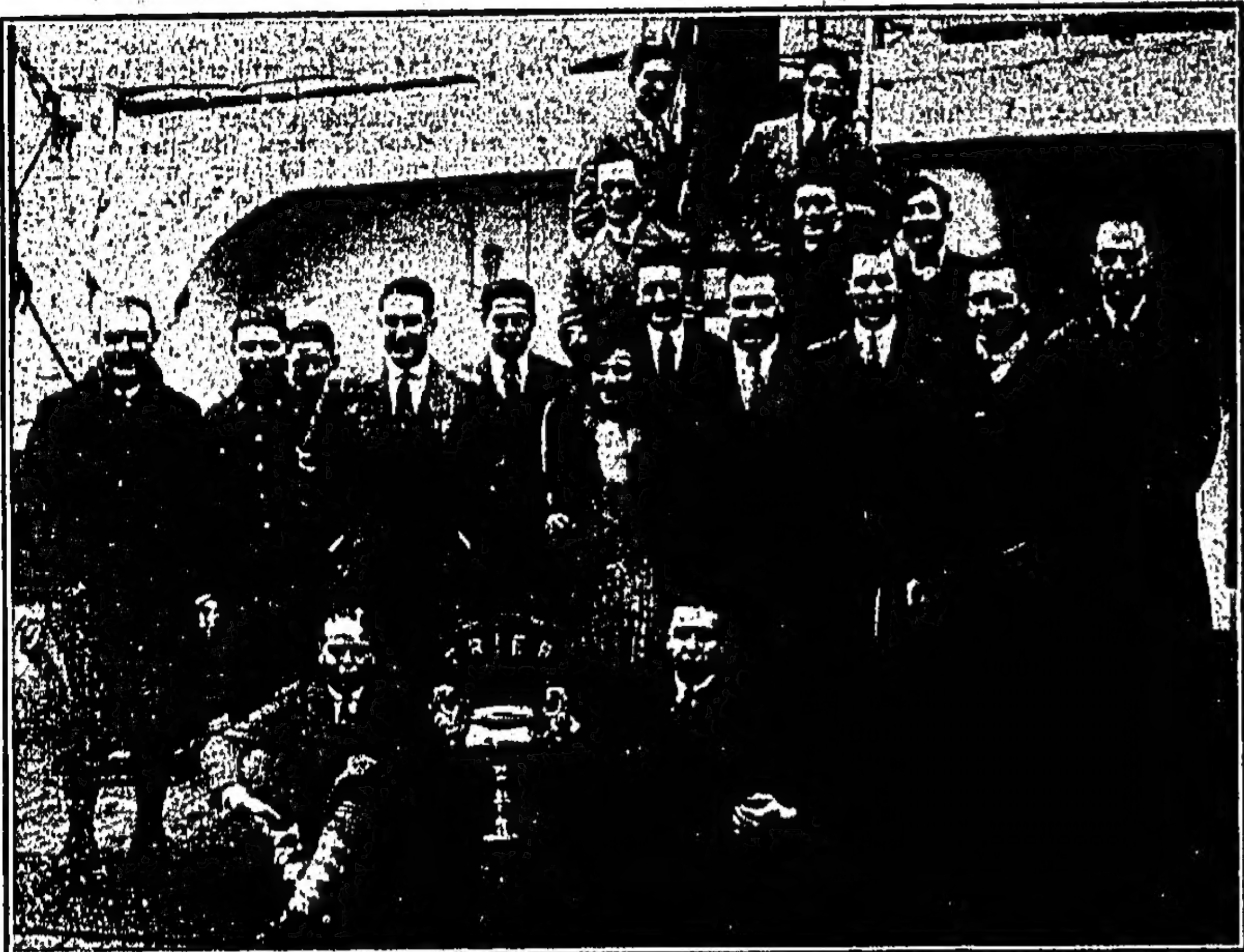
The Correct Method: After taking the first trick with the Ace of hearts, Declarer draws trumps. Then the 6 of clubs is led and 10 of clubs is finessed. Declarer now returns to closed hand by leading to Ace of diamonds and then plays 8 of clubs, finessing the Queen of clubs. On the next round Ace of clubs is played and 10 of hearts is discarded. Game is made as a result. Of course one of the finessees might fail but this is the only way to make game against perfect defence. When the Queen of clubs is finessed on the first round, the Ace will be forced by opponents on the second round with the result that the discard is impossible.

The Principle: Take the double finesse when you hold Ace-Queen-10 if you must discard a loser.





Our picture shows a group of graduates of the Ming Lih Middle School, otherwise known as the Shanghai High School. Founded just a quarter of a century ago, the school now has an enrolment of over 1,500.



It is evident that this picture of the Shanghai Interport soccer team was taken up North before their departure for Hongkong for in the front centre is the Hongkong Telegraph Interport Cup, which now reposes in this Colony.



Shanghai barriers pictured just before the start of a cross country run.



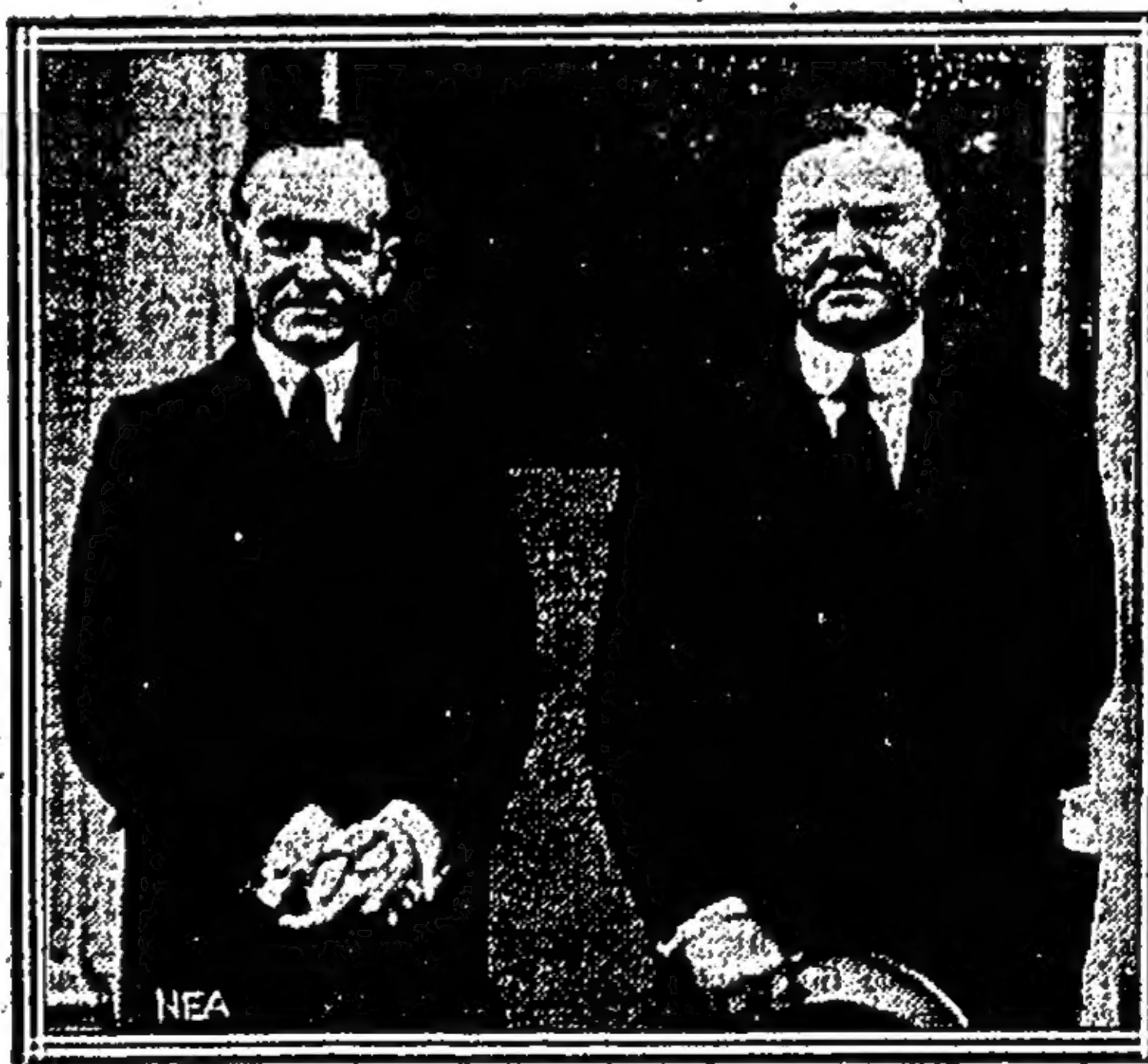
The Shanghai Rifle Association's team which defeated Hongkong and Singapore in the last triangular shooting competition for the Interport Challenge Trophy are seen above. Standing, left to right—Messrs. F. E. Hodges, V. Sharman, A. M. Collaco and K. McKelvie. Middle row—Messrs. L. Mottu, B. Caulton, O. L. Libert and J. R. Main. Bottom row—Messrs. L. Diespecker and T. S. Parry.



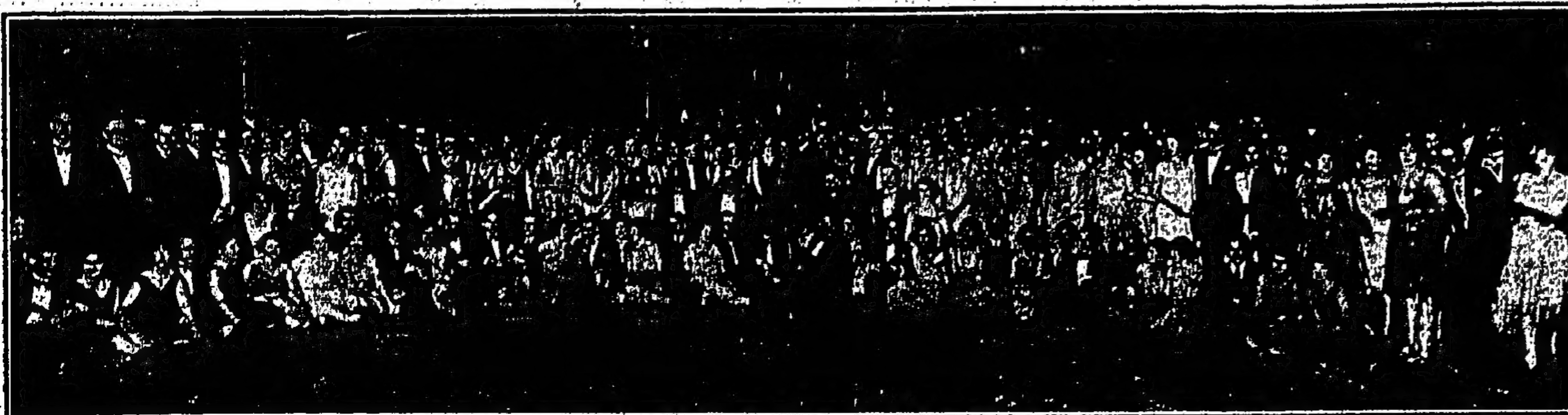
Formerly Miss Jessica Brown, our photo shows Mrs. Vivian Cornelius leaving the Savoy Chapel, London, with her new husband. She has only recently obtained a divorce from the Earl of Northesk.



Ramon Novarro and Norma Shearer in "The Student Prince" which is expected to return to Hongkong shortly.



The first picture taken since the return of Mr. Hoover, of the President-Elect and the retiring President of the United States together. The photo was taken at the White House on Mr. Hoover's first visit to Washington.



Group taken in Shanghai recently on the occasions of a dance at the French Club given by the members of the Machine Gun Company, S. V. O.

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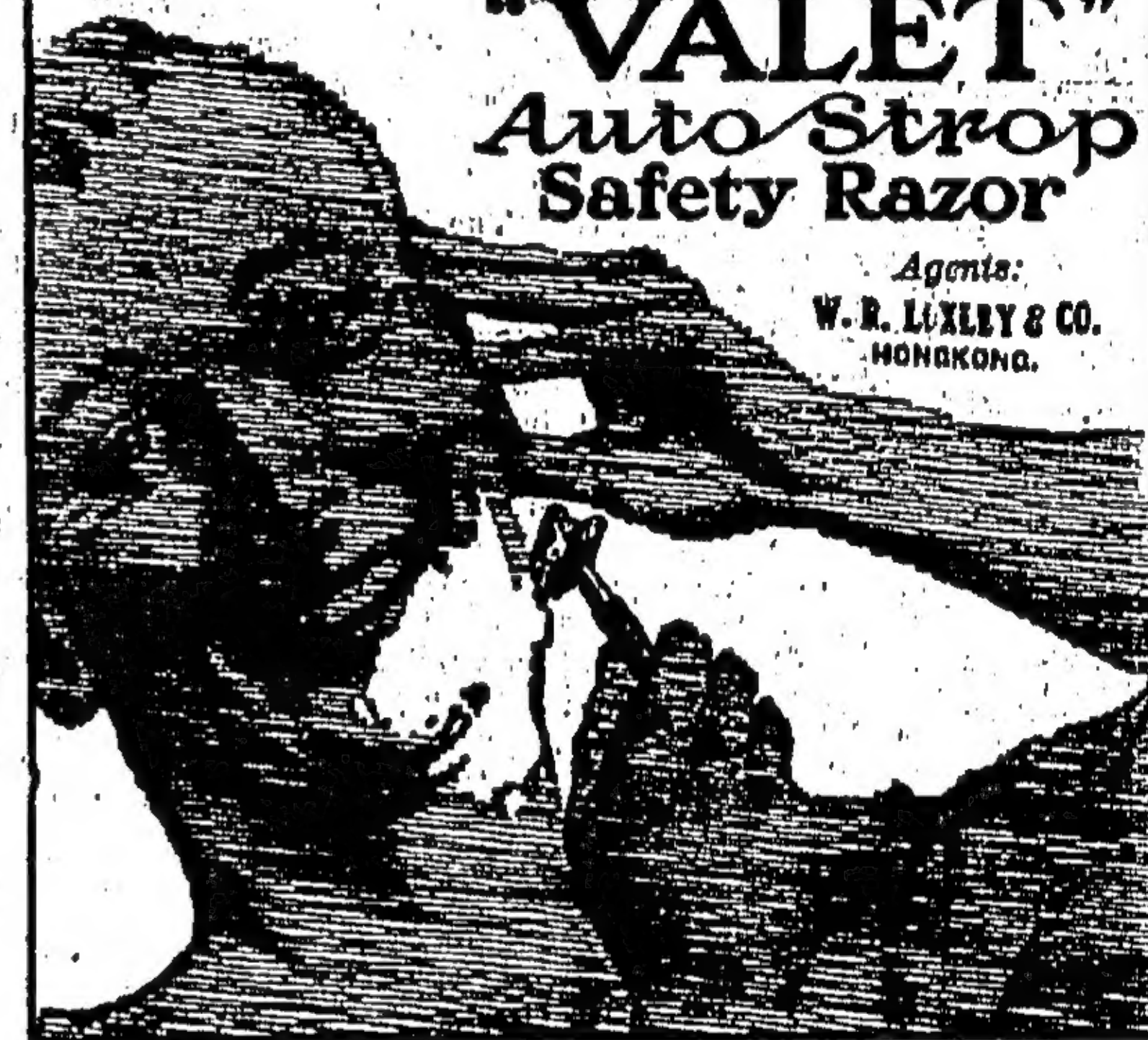
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BOOK-KEEPING and SHIPPING CLERK (Chinese) seeks situation. Very wide experience, enterprising, and diligent. Can furnish bond, anxious to start. Write Box No. 485, "Hongkong Telegraph."

Man (former champion aviator), American; with very best connections and references now seeks responsible outdoor position anywhere in East. Write Box No. 488, care of "Hongkong Telegraph."

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## PREMISES TO LET.

TO LET.—European House, 2, Argyle Road, Homuntin, Kowloon, with five rooms, garden, and garage. Apply Kung Fat and Co., 109, Des Voeux Road West.

TO LET.—From early April, well furnished house, 16, Peak Road. Six rooms, large verandahs, flush system. A. L. Shields, Shewan, Tomes and Co.

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## MRS. SEKAI

### MASSAGE

8, Wymouth Street, 1st floor, Hongkong.

## New Advertisements

### RACE HOLIDAYS.

The Exchange Banks will open for the transaction of public business at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 25th, 26th and 27th instant, and close at 12 noon.  
Hongkong, February 21st, 1929.

### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 9th March, 1929, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries will close on Monday, 4th March, 1929, at 12 o'clock noon.

### NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association will be closed at Noon on Race Days, on Monday, 25th, Tuesday, 26th, Wednesday, 27th, February and Saturday, 2nd March.

By Order of the Committee,

W. J. CARROLL,  
Secretary.

### GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the 40TH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the above COMPANY will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on Wednesday the 13th day of March, 1929, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and a Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1928.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY the 4th day of March, 1929 to WEDNESDAY the 13th day of March, 1929, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1929.

### HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at City Hall, Hong Kong, on Saturday, the 23rd February, 1929, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1928.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday, the 11th February, to Saturday, the 23rd February, 1929, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,

A. C. HYNES,  
Chief Manager.  
Hongkong, 4th Feb., 1929.

### CARS FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.—Essex Tourer 1925 model 5 seater in good condition. Price \$700 or nearest offer. Apply Box No. 484, care of "Hongkong Telegraph."

BUICK.—Five-seater tourer, Majestic body, owner driven since new, splendid condition, has done only moderate mileage. Tyres new. Available middle or end February. Rev. G. E. S. Updell, care of "Hongkong Telegraph."

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### PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

No. S. 64.—It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate, which should be clearly marked "Tender for a portion of the stone quarry known as Kowloon Quarry Lot No. 2 at Ma Tau Kok," will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office until Noon of Monday, the 4th day of March, 1929, for the occupation for a period ending 31st December, 1930, from the date of notification of acceptance of tender of the place or parcel of ground, containing about 1.28 acres, shown coloured red on plan signed by the Director of Public Works and dated 15th February, 1929, but subject to certain conditions which can be ascertained at the office of the Director of Public Works.

Each tender must be accompanied by a receipt to the effect that the Tenderer has deposited in the Colonial Treasury a sum of \$100 as a pledge of the bona fides of his offer, which sum shall be forfeited to the Crown, if the Tenderer refuses to carry out his tender and comply with the conditions, should the tender be accepted.

Form of tender and further particulars can be obtained from the office of the Director of Public Works.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

HAROLD T. CREASY,  
Director of Public Works.  
Hongkong, 15th February, 1929.

### ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

The College will re-open at 9.00 a.m. on Monday, 25th, February. There will be Entrance Examination for New Boys (Boards and Day-boys) at 9.30 a.m. on Saturday, 23rd, February, at Prospect Place, Bonham Road.

### NOTICE.

The Ninth Annual General Meeting of the KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION will be held in the St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, on Thursday, the 28th February, 1929, at 6 p.m.

BUSINESS.  
Adoption of Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1928.  
Election of Officers and Committee.  
Any other business.

It is earnestly requested that members and all others interested in the welfare of Kowloon will make an endeavour to be present at the meeting.

C. M. MANNERS,  
Hon. Secretary.

### THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at an Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation held on Saturday, the 2nd day of February, 1929, at 12 o'clock noon at the City Hall Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, the following resolution was passed, viz:—

That the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the shareholders of the Corporation to take all such steps as may be necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hongkong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, in the terms of a draft which, for the purposes of identification, has been signed by the Chief Manager of the Corporation, in substitution for the existing Ordinance (except as in such print is mentioned) and Deed of Settlement of Corporation.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further extraordinary meeting of the shareholders of the Corporation will be held on Saturday, the 23rd day of February, 1929, at 12.45 in the afternoon at the same place for the purpose of receiving a report of the above mentioned meeting and of considering, and, if thought fit, confirming the above resolution in accordance with Article 66 of the Corporation's Deed of Settlement.

Dated this 8th day of February, 1929.

By Order of the Directors,

A. C. HYNES,  
Chief Manager.

Note:—A copy of the proposed New Ordinance can be seen during the usual banking hours (Sundays, Public and Bank Holidays excepted) in Hongkong at the Head Office of the Corporation or at the offices of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master, Prince's Buildings, Solicitors to the said Corporation, and in Shanghai at the Office of the Corporation, from the date hereof until the date of the above mentioned confirmatory meeting.

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

### Race Meeting, 1929.

25th, 26th, 27th, February & 2nd March, 1929.

The first Race on each day will be run at 12 o'clock noon. The first bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. each day.

### MEMBERS' BADGES.

Members' Badges of Admission are now ready and may be obtained by those members who have not already received them, from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Members are reminded that these Badges will also admit them to all the Extra Race Meetings of this year.

### MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members have the privilege of introducing two non-members to the Members' Enclosure.

A limited number of tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, on or before Saturday, 23rd February, 1929, at a cost of \$10 each per day or \$30 for the Meeting.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$4 per day. Each member can obtain upon application to the Secretary, badges for the admission of two Ladies free of charge.

No on pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first three days of racing.

### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

Tickets of Admission to the Public Enclosure, price \$3 per day for all persons including Ladies, may be purchased from Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., or at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1 per day.

Admission by ticket only. Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hongkong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

### SERVANTS' PASSES.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their employers' stands.

Any persons found loitering about with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

By Order,

C. R. BROWN,  
Secretary.

### NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Hongkong Stock Exchange will be CLOSED at noon on Race Days on Monday 25th, Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th, February and Saturday 2nd March.

By Order of the Committee,

A. NISSIM,  
Secretary.

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### PUBLIC AUCTION.

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#### TO-DAY,

the 22nd February, 1929, commencing at 2.30 p.m. at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Large Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture

comprising:—  
Teak Hatstand with Bevelled Mirror, Glass Cabinets, Tapestry Covered Armchairs and Couch, Pianos, Gramophones, Sewing Machines, Desks, Bookcases, Oil Paintings, Chinese Hand Paintings in Blackwood Frames, Porcelain Vases and Ornaments, Steel Cabin Trunks, etc., etc.

Teak Dining Tables, Dining Chairs, Slideboards, Dinner Wagons, Ice Chests, Kitchen Utensils, Crockery, Glass Ware, etc., etc.  
Brass, Teak and Iron Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Dressing Tables, Chests of Drawers, Washstands, Commodore, Toilet Crockery, etc., etc.

#### and

A Quantity of Blackwood Furniture.  
Catalogues will be issued. On View from Thursday, the 21st February, 1929.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

#### LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

#### TO-DAY,

the 22nd February, 1929, commencing at 5.15 p.m.

A Valuable Collection of Postage Stamps.

(Particulars from Catalogue.)

On View from Thursday, the 21st February, 1929.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

#### LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

#### on SATURDAY,

the 23rd February, 1929, at 12 o'clock Noon, at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

6 Cases Butter.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

#### LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

#### on WEDNESDAY,

the 27th February, 1929, commencing at 11 a.m.

at No. 304, Nathan Road, Camby Buildings, 1st floor.

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

Catalogue will be issued.

On View from Tuesday, the 26th February, 1929.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

#### LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

#### on THURSDAY,

the 28th February, 1929, commencing at 11 a.m.

at No. 28, Humphrey's Buildings, Kowloon.

A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

comprising:—

Teak Hatstand, Chesterfield Couch and Chairs, Teak Extension Dining Table, Dining Chairs, Teak Slideboard, Teak Glass Cabinet, Teak Ice Chest, Brass Fender, Ornaments, Curtains, Carpets, Rugs, etc.  
Teak Bedstead with Spring Box Mattress, Teak Wardrobes with Glass Door, Teak Dressing Table, Teak Chest of Drawers, Chairs, etc.

#### also

Several Pieces of Blackwood Furniture

#### and

One Piano by Montrie. (The Furniture by Lane Crawford, Ltd.)

Catalogue will be issued. On View from Wednesday, the 27th February, 1929.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

#### LAMMERT BROS.,

Auctioneers.

## POST OFFICE NOTICE

### RADIO NOTICES.

The Radio Office is now situated on the ground floor of the P. & O. Building on Des Voeux Road, next to the General Post Office. This office is open day and night.

All particulars as to ships in communication, rates, etc., may be obtained at the Radio Office as above.

Radio Telegrams may be sent to Europe, America, Philippine Islands, Dutch East Indies and many other destinations, also to Canton and many places in South China. Full particulars at the Radio Office.

Individuals and firms are recommended to register their telegraphic addresses at the Radio Office. No charge is made for this.

Letters and postcards for Europe and the British Isles are forwarded via Siberia if so superscribed.

REGISTERED and PARCELS MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

It is hereby notified that on and after 1st January, 1929:—  
(a) the radio rate on messages to Macao will be 10 cents per word, and  
(b) the charges on messages to all Ship Stations, irrespective of Nationality, will be on the basis of a word rate, pure and simple, with no minimum charge.

Radio telegrams are now accepted for transmission to Swatow at \$0.80 per word. The receiving station will collect the charge due to its Service.

Direct wireless communication has now been established between Hongkong and the Kiangsu Stations at Yuchow, Nanking and Luchow—the charge is \$0.20 per word. Messages will also be accepted for Kwai-Yang and Changsha by above routes—the charge being \$0.30 per word. No charge will be collected from the addressees for the delivery service.

### INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Japan and Shanghai	Suwa Maru	February 22.
Shanghai	Yingchow	February 22.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Ruth Alexander	February 23.
Shanghai and Swatow	Shantung	February 23.
Straits	Mirzapore	February 24.
Amoy	Takada	February 24.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Jackson	February 25.
Europe via Negapatam (Papers only) London 24th January	Kutsang	February 25.
Manila	Pres. Pierce	February 25.
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## CHAPTER XII.

Ashtoreth bought a white crepe de chine, a simple little thing with kick pleats. When she tried it on that evening at home and pinned a gipsy kerchief across her shoulders, she looked like Helen Willis exhibiting the correct thing for sports.

She chose, also, a beaded dinner frock, marked from \$65 to \$5.50 because the beads were coming off. It took eight hours to sew them on. But it was a good day's pay, however, you looked at it.

"I'm not going to get anything else but sport clothes," decreed Ashtoreth. I think they're the only practical thing for travelling, because a girl's always well dressed if she's simply dressed. And sport clothes are something you can wear morning, noon and night. Sunny days and rainy days, and all the time.

She found a rose voile and a French blue hat to go with it. Then a pale yellow, with which the same hat was particularly good.

Then for 24 cents a yard she bought flowered print. And, for \$1.03 apiece, made three pretty dresses.

"Cotton prints," she told Maizie, "are much smarter than silk." But Maizie held the stuff between her fingers and sniffed contemptuously.

"We wouldn't have put it in a patch work quilt when I was young," she scoffed.

Ashtoreth had decided to take a West Indies cruise. At first Maizie protested.

"That's where the hurricane started that killed all the people in Florida!" she objected.

"But the hurricane season's over," explained Ashtoreth.

Sadie, who had dropped in with more offers of fine raiment, perused a booklet.

"Listen, Mrs. Ashtoreth," she commanded, and read aloud: "West Indies! Sea girl tales of romance, languorous and primitive, with beauty outstretching every dream, flowers and perfume. And mountains with palms that touch the tip of the moon. Days of sun and nights of stars—my hat, Ash! That's a swell place to go all by yourself! You'll get moonstruck and die. Looks to me like you'd need a man on them languorous seas. You'll be going primitive under an island moon. Maybe she'll elope with a native," Mrs. Ashe.

Maizie looked worried.

"But I suppose nothing's as romantic as they write about," she surmised. "Paper can't refuse ink, as my father used to say. You won't go falling in love, will you, Ashtoreth?"

She peered anxiously into Ashtoreth's dancing eyes.

"Fall in love!" Ashtoreth laughed. "Who'd I fall in love with? No, Mums—I'll be a little orphan on this cruise, sure as you're born."

In vain Sadie had advocated the advantages of a trip to South America. Mr. Hart, she thought, was somewhere in the Argentine. If Ashtoreth now could only meet him there!

But Ashtoreth seemed annoyed at the suggestion.

"My dear, you don't think I'm going chasing that man! And, anyhow, how could I find him? The Argentine isn't any little hole in the wall from all I've heard about it. You're crazy, Sadie."

Monty English had sent candy and fruit from New York. And written to inquire for Ashtoreth. She had replied gratefully, but did not encourage his suggested visit.

"Absence makes the heart grow fonder," she reminded Maizie.

But Maizie, with one of her rare flashes of repartee, had parried quickly. "Yes—fonder of the other girl."

Then, growing serious, she laid a plump hand on her daughter's slim shoulder.

"God knows I hope you're not making a mistake, Ashtoreth. But remember—whatever happens—that there are lots of things in this world that count more than money."

Ashtoreth shook her hand away impatiently.

"Mother," she cried, "if you're going to make any more speeches about 'nice clean young men,' I'll scream!"

"Well, you could go further and fare worse," Maizie defended her choice staunchly. "He's a fine boy, that's what he is."

"Think I want to be a radio widow?" parried Ashtoreth. "Monty's whole life is radios. He doesn't think or talk about anything else. And he takes his ear phones to bed with him!"

Maizie chuckled.

"Well, he'd get over that," she prophesied comfortably.

"Not with me; he won't!" retorted Ashtoreth indignantly.

Maizie looked at her shrewdly.

"What's this Sadie tells me," she wanted to know, "about that millionaire boss making up to you?"

Mr. Hart. I should think he'd have more to do than flirting with his help."

Ashtoreth coloured.

"Sadie's a little fool," she pronounced. "And you shouldn't call stenographers 'help,' dear."

"Why not?" demanded Maizie.

"They're hired help, that's what they are. And I guess it don't make any difference what you call people, so long as they earn their money honest."

Ashtoreth averted her face.

"Well then," she said, "as Mr. Hart's hired hand, I might remark that I never saw him making up to the help. Sadie talks too much for her own good."

"Oh, by the way," Maizie was quick to change the subject. "If you and that boy—George—have broken up."

"Well, I'm not surprised."

Ashtoreth, at the moment, was a little acrimonious.

"Sadie will never get any medals in any endurance test for fidelity."

"I didn't think much of her boy anyhow," volunteered Maizie.

"I met them one day on the street. I guess I told you. He's got patent leather hair and sort of mean eyes. Sadie's just as well off, in fact, if you should ask me."

Sadie was working in a department store. On the stocking counter. Ruby Hart, who worked in cosmetics, shared her apartment now. And Cleo Danforth, ex of hats. The Ashtores say her only occasionally.

Ashtoreth had never told her mother of Sadie's brief affair with Mr. Hart. And Maizie, who accepted the good things of life as a matter of course, never inquired the source of the girl's affluence.

"Life's been kind to her," said Maizie. "She's a good, sweet girl."

Sadie had accounted satisfactorily for the fact that she was living apart from her family. They had moved away, she said. And an uncle had died, leaving her a little money. Maizie was plausibly impressed. And Sadie, winking at Ashtoreth, passed her arm affectionately about the older woman's shoulders.

"You're a good egg, Mrs. Ashe," she pronounced.

And Maizie was innocently pleased at youth's compliment.

"A darn good egg—take it from me. Give the little mother a hand, Ash!"

Ashtoreth was sailing from New York on a Friday. That gave her mother the week-end to clean up the apartment and pack their personal belongings. On Monday she would go to work for Dr. Henderson's neurotic patient, Mrs. Adams.

Ashtoreth went to the Commodore in New York, because it was so near the Grand Central, and most convenient. Presently she concluded that it was rather a man's hotel, and wished that she had gone, instead, somewhere a little different. She telephoned Monty, and he came to take her to dinner. She met him in the mezzanine, and they went down to the grill together.

"They've the best lobster cocktails in the world here," he announced.

And he chatted, inconsequently, of lobsters and filet mignon and baked Alaska, until Ashtoreth was altogether sure that he had ceased entirely to love her.

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(To be Continued.)

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## FRENCH NAVAL PLANS.

## LARGER BATTLE CRUISERS NOT CONTEMPLATED.

Paris, Jan. 25. The French naval staff authorise me to say that the report in a London newspaper of their asking for 10,000-ton battle cruisers for 12-inch guns is totally untrue. My question was, in fact, the first news they had had of such a suggestion, which was frankly laughed at. British naval experts in Paris are equally sceptical on the point.

The construction of the German Ersatz Preussen has naturally caused comment in France, and some time ago an unauthorised and unofficial statement was made in a Paris paper to the effect that the Conseil Supérieur de la Marine were credited with the intention of asking for large cruisers on the occasion of the recent naval estimates. But this was, in fact, not done, and there is no reason to think that the alleged intention even existed.

It would be entirely counter to present French naval policy to lay down cruisers of the size suggested. French naval authorities consider that the present needs of France are best met by cruisers going up to the 10,000 ton limit and by submarines.

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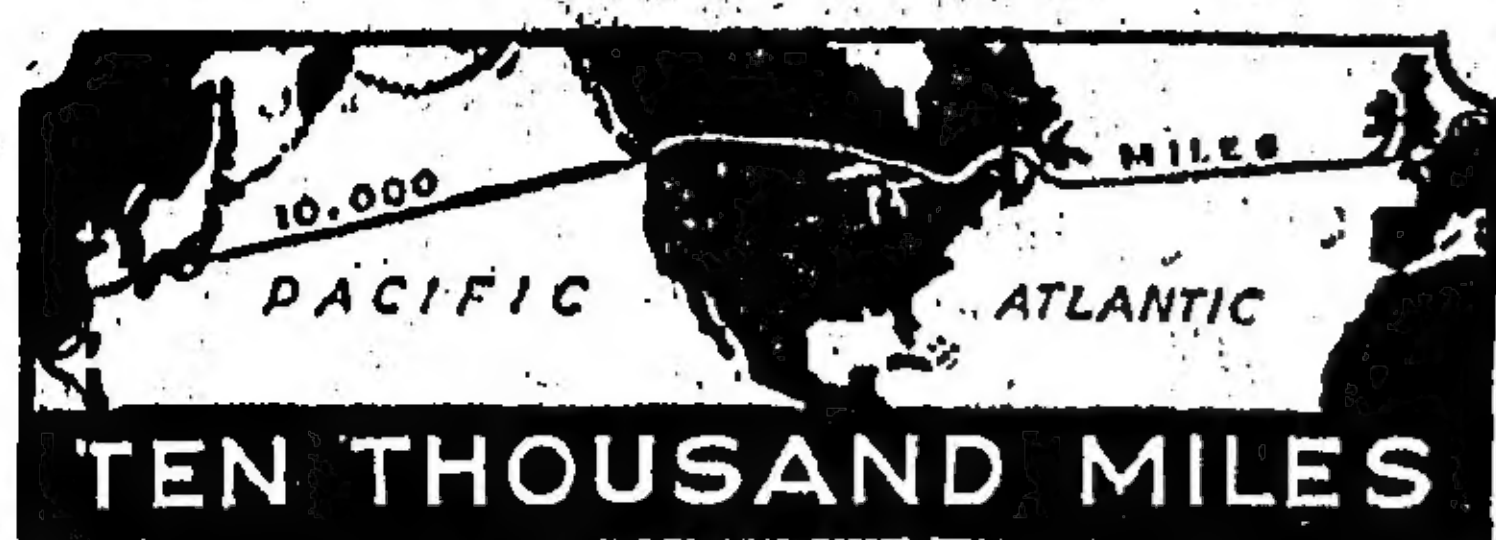
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(Concluded from Yesterday.)

One of the chief points taken up by Father Joy was Resurrection, which he chose as a test of the theories of the Rationalist critics of the New Testament. He pointed out that Christ's disciples believed that He had risen from the dead, and that all the Gospels narrated it. He also considered the crucifixion and dealt with the deception theory and the alleged swooning of Christ. Dealing with the resurrection he said:

Why do I choose The Resurrection as the acid test of rationalist theories?

1 Because it is the central fact of Christianity. If Christ rose from the dead, Christianity has upon it the seal of the Divine.

2 Because Christ emphasised it before and after His death. He said to His disciples: "I will see you again, and you shall witness that I am truly the Son of God."

3 Because "If Christ be not risen then is our preaching vain and your Faith is also vain." "Yea, we are found false witnesses of God" as St. Paul tells us.

4 Because the enemies of Christianity from Jew to Rationalist have always found it the stumbling block and have directed against it their fiercest attacks.

Let us see the facts round which the proof of Christ's Resurrection centres:

a The unshakable conviction of His disciples.

b The empty tomb.

c Christ appeared, after His death, alive.

The disciples believed that Christ was risen.

All the Gospels narrate it. All attempts to prove later insertion have hopelessly broken down. These narrations are brilliantly vindicated in St. Paul's epistles. The Acts of the Apostles give us short speeches of the Apostles beginning on the very day of Pentecost and all stress the Resurrection. What does that teach us as to the date of the belief?

1 Corinthians dates at latest from 57-58, if not, as Harnack thinks, from 52-53. Yet here we have a full account of the Resurrection and the Appearance of Christ. Not only that, but it tells us that Paul preached the Resurrection to these same Corinthians five years earlier. It tells us that Paul learned of the Resurrection from James and Peter, i.e. three years after his own conversion. It tells us of the appearance of Christ to Paul himself which occurred at most three to five years, if not, as Harnack thinks, either in the year of, or in the year after Christ's death.

The Acts of the Apostles bring us back to the day of Pentecost, less than two months after the Resurrection, on which Peter hurled the Resurrection fearlessly in the teeth of the Jews: "Jesus of Nazareth you by the hands of wicked men have crucified and slain... This Jesus God hath raised again whereof we are witnesses." He is equally fearless before the Sanhedrin and before the Roman Centurion, Cornelius.

But we need not labour the point. Even the most decided enemies of the Resurrection, like

Meyer, Otto, Harnack, Wellhausen admit that, as the last-named says: "The foundation of Christianity remained the belief in the Crucified and Resurrected Christ. The faith in the Resurrection was never shaken."

#### Deception Theory.

Did they believe what they said? Perhaps they were deceivers!

By all the laws of evidence the Deception Theory breaks down:

1 It was not in their interest to invent the story. They were few and faint-hearted. The whole Jewish nation was against them. They themselves looked on Calvary as the final failure of Christ. Why should they prolong the tragedy?

2 Was their conduct such as to prove sincerity?

When Christ died they were filled with gloom and despair. In a few days they are filled with joy and confidence. They preach the Resurrection and in the very place where it was said to have taken place, where therefore the fraud could be most easily discovered. They set out to convert the world. Such a change demands an explanation. If Christ had not risen then Christianity would have died on Calvary.

3 But, Furthermore, and this point is vital—men do not suffer for what they believe to be false. Yet they gloried in their sufferings and nothing could shake them in their conviction that Christ died and that Christ was risen. Clearly all attempt to impugn the sincerity of the witnesses breaks down the moment it is examined.

#### Mythical Theories.

These facts also dispose of all talk about the "Resurrection Myth." Remember the claim is that Christ's Body appeared to them. Remember it was not one person but many who claimed to have seen Him, sometimes by day, sometimes by night, sometimes separately, sometimes in groups. And they not only saw Him but talked with Him, ate with Him, and even examined His body to satisfy their doubts. Remember finally, that we are dealing with contemporary accounts, circulated in the very spot where all those things were said to have happened with day and place and person given for everyone to check. Myths don't grow in that way. Besides, it takes no account of the empty tomb to which Romans, Jews and disciples all bear witness. Nothing was easier than to point to Christ's body still in the tomb if it were all a myth.

#### Vision Theory.

These facts dispose, further, of the "Vision Theory"—the first of the "natural" explanations. According to this, the disciples were so enthusiastic and so excited by the events of the Crucifixion that they were easily imposed upon. They kept dwelling on the thought so that after a time they imagined they saw Him. This is still the pet theory, so let us examine it. Did they, as a fact, expect Christ to rise? We know they did not. The holy women went to the tomb on the third day. For what? To anoint the dead body of Christ. Mary Magdalen, when she finds the tomb empty, concludes that the body has been taken away. When the other women tell the Apostles of the Angel's message, the whole thing is greeted as mere idle women's tales. Even when Christ appears to them they are not convinced. He has to prove His identity by eating, by showing His hands and feet, in the case of

Thomas by allowing him to put his finger into the place of the nails and his hand into His sacred side. Does a ghost appear to many not once but several times? Not by night only, but by day? While they sit at table? While they fish in the Lake? To five hundred at a place and time fixed beforehand? Can one touch a ghost, taking hold of his feet? And what became of Christ's body if He never rose? And do thousands become converted in a single day, as they did on the Feast of Pentecost if it was all a ghost story very easy to expose?

#### The Swoon Theory.

There remains one other attempt at a "natural" explanation. It appealed to critics because it seemed to account for all the facts. Briefly it is this: Christ never died. He was merely in a swoon. He recovered and He left the sepulchre. Again let us go back to facts—the last thing theorists think of looking at. Christ had suffered terribly. The Agony, the ill-treatment by the Jews, the scourging, three hours nailed to a cross—and finally a Roman soldier, to make assurance doubly sure, thrust a lance into Our Saviour's side—Surely there is enough here to cause death!

The priests thought Him dead. The crowd thought Him dead. The Roman soldier thought Him dead. His own friends were so sure of it that they buried Him. Yet we are asked to believe that on the third day after these events He not only recovered consciousness (that would be wonderful enough) but He came forth from the tomb so strong and healthy that there is no trace of weakness in Him, that He is able to walk to Emmaus and back on feet pierced by nails two days previously. Moreover, the tomb had a guard of soldiers and He got away without their knowledge. Further, He must have known beforehand that all this series of happy accidents was going to happen for He told both friend and foe that He would rise in three days. Lastly—and this finishes the Swoon Theory—Jesus Christ, than whom no nobler figure has passed across the stage of human history, as even His enemies reluctantly testify, is made to go about pretending that He has risen from the dead. He is reduced to the level of an impostor.

And they all believe the tale! What happened after that? Did Jesus die later? If so, they must have known it. So all attempts to make a distinction between the Jesus of History and the Christ of Faith tie themselves up into hopeless contradictions; and with it the rationalist attempt to destroy the supernatural, is bankrupt before the plain and simple facts of the Resurrection. The Jesus of History is the Christ of Faith.

"Christ, risen from the dead, dieth no more"—it is the song of triumph of St. Paul. It is the song of triumph of the Church which in Her Easter service pens forth Her Alleluias. It is our triumph also. He is our Friend, He is our King, He is our God. *Christus vivit, Christus regnat, Christus imperat.*

Nanking, Feb. 21.

Hsu Mo, chief of the European and American Affairs Committee of the Foreign Ministry, has been appointed Commissioner for Foreign Affairs for Kiangsu in succession to Wun Z-kang, who has been appointed Minister to the Netherlands.—Reuter.



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## AFTER FORTY-SIX YEARS.

## TACNA-ARICA CONTROVERSY SETTLED.

## AGREEMENT REACHED.

Santiago de Chile, Feb. 21. After forty-six years of heated controversy and dispute, the Governments of Peru and Chile have settled the Tacna-Arica problem. An agreement has been drawn up under which the Province of Tacna goes to Peru, while Arica, the port of Tacna goes to Chile. Many grave incidents have occurred in past years as the result of the controversy. An attempt was made by the United States in 1926 to mediate, but Chile terminated the mediation in June of that year.

In November of the same year, Mr. Kellogg suggested that Chile and Peru should compose their differences by ceding the disputed region to Bolivia and by making Arica a free port. At one time it seemed possible that a solution would be found in this way, but both Peru and Chile eventually declined to accept.

The settlement at this time is extremely gratifying.—Reuter.

## STEADY KOWLOON EXPANSION.

(Continued from Page 1.)

tion, because of traffic noises and other reasons, was now unsuitable.

## New School Urged.

Your Committee urged the construction of a new school with adequate playing fields attached, such building to contain modern features befitting a secondary school of this nature. Although correspondence on this subject does not reveal the intentions of Government, it is within the knowledge of your Committee that the matter has received the sympathetic consideration of the Education Department.

Government has also set aside an area of approximately ten acres and provisional plans have been prepared. Your Committee trust that in the next Budget financial provision will be made for the purpose of site preparation and that the work of construction will proceed at an early date.

## Star Ferry Approach.

The Committee entered a protest against the construction of a garage on Salisbury Road, considering that its location was an encroachment on much needed road space. The protest was too late to be of any avail, official approval having been given and building operations commenced before your Committee was aware of this project.

The importance of effecting traffic improvement at the Star Ferry Approach has received considerable attention and has been the subject of numerous interviews and enquiries. The Government, we understand, has prepared many plans of this area but up to the present has not proceeded with the work.

## Street Lighting.

Considerable attention has been paid to this important subject during the year and a marked improvement is apparent. For instance, the lamp standards have been removed from the centre of Nathan Road and pendant lights substituted. The old lamp standards have been re-erected along the side of Chatham Road, thus doubling the illumination of that thoroughfare.

## Postal Delays.

The attention of the Postmaster General has been drawn to the delays experienced by Kowloon residents in the delivery of European mail.

The Postmaster General has stated that he is fully aware of the importance of prompt delivery but can promise no definite alteration in the present procedure. Your Committee is of the opinion that the authorities will have to consider the advisability of having the mails sorted on the Kowloon side of the harbour as it would result in a speeding up of deliveries. This opinion is based on the following considerations:—

(1) Practically all foreign mails are discharged in Kowloon and, owing to bad weather, difficulty is often experienced in getting them to Hongkong promptly.

(2) During typhoon weather communication with Hongkong is extremely difficult and the safety of mails is endangered.

(3) Vessels arriving during the night could be cleared of mail before the following day and the mail sorted ready for first morning delivery.

## Committee's Thanks.

The thanks of the Association are tendered to Sir Henry Pollock for his personal interest in our activities; to the Hon. Captain Superintendent of Police and Hon.

## FAMOUS GENERAL DEAD.

## SIR JOHN MAXWELL DIES AT CAPE TOWN.

## ACTIVE CAREER ENDS.

London, Feb. 21. General Sir John Maxwell, G.C.B., K.C.M.G., D.S.O., has died at Capetown of pneumonia. He commanded the British Forces in Egypt for the first two years of the Great War, and was Commander-in-Chief in Ireland during the troublous days of 1916.—British Wireless.

The outbreak of the great war found General Sir John Maxwell in Egypt. He had gone out to take command of the Army of Occupation in 1910. On March 23, 1916, he left for England—"the military situation in Egypt," according to the War Office announcement, "being satisfactory."

That brief phrase was full of significance. For 20 critical months, during which Egypt had been detached from Turkey and annexed to the Empire and the Turkish attempts on the Suez had been shattered, General Maxwell's intimate knowledge of this Mohammedan land and people, his tact and sympathy, had saved the situation. The change in Egypt's status was made without the slightest hitch. It was a happy instance of Britain's good fortune in "having the right man in the right place."

General Maxwell was one of Kitchener's discoveries. Born in 1859, of Scottish parents, and educated at Cheltenham, he joined the Black Watch when he was 20. Three years later he was in the famous night march across the desert and the storming of Tel-el-Kebir. Then came a long record of activity in Egypt, during which he won Kitchener's high approval. A consequence of that approval was that Maxwell commanded the Second Egyptian Brigade in the Battle of Omduhrman.

When the South African War broke out General Maxwell was at Khartoum, but in January 1900 his old chief sent for him and gave him a brigade in South Africa, and a little later made him Military Governor of Pretoria.

It was again Lord Kitchener's choice that took him back to Egypt later in command of the Army of Occupation.

## THE KING'S STEADY PROGRESS.

## ABLE TO WALK ROUND ROOM WITH AID OF STICK.

## IS STILL VERY WEAK.

London, Feb. 21.

It was this evening officially stated at Craigwell House, Bognor, that the King had passed a good day. The sun shone brilliantly throughout the day and the King was able to spend many hours in the morning and the afternoon sitting at an open window.

Doctor Howitt came down from London during the afternoon and applied luminous ray treatment.

It is learned that the King walked round his bedroom yesterday with the aid of a stick and with a nurse at his side. His Majesty is still extremely weak and despite the better weather which has set in, it is unlikely that he will be moved out of the house.

Commenting on the King's progress in to-day's issue, the *Lancet* says that the improvement in His Majesty's general condition has not been slower than anticipated.

"The increase in weight and strength should gather speed with continued progress."

"Quite evidently," the medical journal goes on, "a good deal of ground has been gained since His Majesty reached the South Coast."

—Reuter.

Director of Public Works for their kindly assistance in all matters; to St. Andrew's Church Vestry for the use of the Church Hall for our meetings; to all the Government Officials for their helpful co-operation during the year; the Motor Bus Companies in Kowloon for their prompt attention to our many requests and to the Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga for his energetic activities on the Sanitary Board regarding matters affecting Kowloon.

During the year 91 new members joined the Association, one member rejoined, and the maximum number enrolled was 369 but on 31st December there was on the register only 334, the difference being accounted for as follows:—4 died, 9 resigned, 11 left the Colony and 11 struck off the list in compliance with Bye-law No. 14.

Income totalled \$634, and expenditure \$455.85; of this sum \$96 represents the cost of a set of Hongkong Ordinances from 1844 to 1923 and one copy each for the years 1926-7, \$32 was paid for a filing cabinet for the use of the Hon. Secretary.

The balance on hand on the 31st December, 1928, was \$1,285.82 as against \$1,042.67 in 1927.

## FENG DISCOURSES ON WOMEN.

## FACE POWDER &amp; PERFUMERY WEAKNESSES.

## REMARKABLE SPEECH.

Shanghai, Feb. 16. Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang delivered the principal speech at the opening ceremony of the Kaifeng Institute for Women. After alluding to the great influence women can exert on their husbands, General Feng cited many historical instances to prove his statement and said, "Reference was made by the speaker before me to the effect that in Europe and America many women are holding positions of responsibility. In foreign countries women are found employed in banks, schools and various other professions. It is well known that the present Russian Ambassador to Mexico is a woman (Madame Kolontai). Madame Curie, who discovered Radium a few years ago, is another distinguished member of her sex."

"Unfortunately for China, however, our women seem interested only in their personal appearances. They care more about face powder, cold cream, perfumery, bracelets, etc., than anything else. In order to beautify their ears, they would not even stop at piercing a hole through them just for the purpose of hanging earrings. When we compare such women to the great women of Europe and America, I do not wonder that our women fail to get equal treatment with men."

"In conclusion," General Feng declared, "although I regret to have to point out the weakness of our women, yet their desire to learn inspires my confidence. In fact, I am looking forward to the day when you ladies will surpass the achievements of our Western sisters."

## MARINE COURT.

## SEVERAL CASES DEALT WITH TO-DAY.

At the Marine Court this morning, before the Hon. Commr. G.F. Hole, R.N., several cases in which the defendants were charged with committing breaches of conditions of their licences, and with making fast to vessels under way, were dealt with.

Leung Ping-kwan, the coxswain of the steam launch *Fai Hung*, was charged with carrying nine passengers in excess of the number allowed by his licence—60 instead of 51. Defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$45 (\$5 a passenger) with the alternative of six weeks' imprisonment.

Ho Sze, the mistress of a cargo boat, was charged with committing a breach of her boat licence by carrying 20 passengers. Defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$15, or two weeks.

Ho Yau, the master of a passenger boat, was charged with making fast to the m.v. *Australien* while that vessel was under way. L/Sgt. Hill gave evidence of seeing the defendant making fast to the vessel with a hook, and his evidence was corroborated by the coxswain of No. 7, Police Launch. Defendant said he was only pushing off from the ship and was of the opinion that the police officers were mistaken. His Worship said the police officers were not mistaken, and inflicted a fine of \$10, or ten days.

Six mistresses of cargo boats were charged with making fast to the s.s. *Hong Hwa* whilst under way. All pleaded guilty and fines of \$10, or ten days, were imposed.

## AMERICAN PRIEST RESCUED.

## RELEASED AFTER MONTH IN BANDIT HANDS.

## A PITCHED BATTLE.

The Rev. Edward Young, of the American Catholic Mission, who was kidnapped and held for ransom last month by a gang of so-called "Reds," near Nannanfu, was liberated recently when his captors were routed in a battle with the bandit-suppression forces under command of Gen. Liu Sz-yi, according to Chinese reports from Changsha.

The Rev. Mr. Young was kidnapped at Nannanfu, Kiangsi province, about January 22 and a ransom of \$20,000 was demanded by the bandits. Efforts were made by the American Consular authorities and the Legation at Peking to effect his release and the bandit suppression corps was ordered to watch the likely routes of the bandits.

The report states that after considerable search the bandit suppression force overtook the fleeing kidnappers, the remnants of the notorious leader, Chu Teh, at Suichinghsien, near the Fukien-Kiangsi border.

The bandits were hemmed in their lair and surrounded by the troops and after a pitched battle in which many were killed and injured, the bandits fled, leaving behind them their foreign victim. Mr. Young was found to be unhurt, and after being liberated by the government troops, started for Hankow. Mr. Young is a native of Germantown, Penn., and his capture by the bandits resulted when Chu Teh's bandits looted a section of Nannanfu while retreating before provincial troops.

## RUBBER AND TIN.

## MARKETS UPWARD GRADE.

Messrs. Carroll has been advised that the market rubber shares has been firm throughout the week.

Cable advice from London gives the tendency of the market as "upwards," which is hardly surprising in view of small stocks, reduced Eastern shipments and the heavy "wintering" brought about by the recent drought.

Early in the week, tin had a quite spectacular rise of over \$6.10. London cables explained this as being the result of "bull" activities, adding that an attempt was to be made to obtain American "bull" support. At the same time they anticipated a slight set-back before any further improvement.

The latest quotations on rubber shares are:

Allenbya	.....\$2.40
Ayer Pannas	.....9.75
Changkays	.....7.00
Glencalys	.....2.20
Jerama	.....1.60
Jimaha	.....2.40
Kedahs	.....3.80
Lunas	.....2.70
Malaka Pindas	.....2.55
New Serandahs	.....3.60
Pajama	.....2.65
Sandycrofts	.....2.20

The Exchange Banks will be open for the transaction of public business from 9.30 a.m. to noon on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, February 26, 25 and 27.

## THE HORTICULTURE SHOW.

## FULL LIST OF THE PRIZE-WINNERS.

## MANY EXHIBITORS.

Below we give the list of prize-winners at yesterday's Horticultural Society's Show, apart from the cup winners, which were given yesterday. The proceedings at the prize distribution are reported on another page.

## Section 1.

Plants in pots, open to all except Peak gardens and Chinese market gardeners.

Marguerites (*Chrysanthemum frutescens*):—(1) Mr. J. H. Taggart; (2) Kowloon C.C.

Nasturtiums (Tall varieties):—(1) Mr. J. H. Taggart; (2) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong.

Salvias:—(1) Mr. J. H. Taggart; (2) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong.

Annuals or plants raised from seed the same season (excluding Nasturtiums):—(1) Mrs. Ho Fook; (2) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong.

Annuals or plants raised from seed:—(1) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong; (2) Mrs. J. H. Taggart.

Antirrhinums:—(1) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong; (2) Mrs. Ho Fook.

Begonias:—(1) Lady Ho Tung; (2) Kowloon C.C.

Geraniums:—(1) Mr. J. H. Taggart; (2) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong.

Dahlias:—(1) Lady Ho Tung; (2) Kowloon C.C.

Heliotropes:—(1) Mrs. Ho Fook; (2) Kowloon C.C.

Potunias:—(1) Mrs. Ho Fook; (2) Kowloon C.C.; H.C., Mrs. Ho Kom-tong.

Verbenas:—(1) Mrs. Ho Fook; (2) Kowloon C.C.

Linnaria (Tall varieties):—(1) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong; (2) Mrs. Ho Fook.

Cinerarias:—(1) Mrs. Ho Fook; (2) Delphinium or Larkspur:—(1) U.S.R.C.

Freecias:—(1) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong; (2) Mrs. Ho Fook.

Phlox Drummondii:—(1) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong; (2) Mrs. Ho Fook.

Dianthus (including Hybrids but excluding Carnation, Picotee and Sweet William):—(1) Mrs. Ho Fook; (2) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong.

Carnations:—(1) Silver Challenge Cup, Mr. A. L. Shields; (2) Mrs. Ho Fook; H.C., Mrs. Ho Kom-tong.

Maiden Hair Ferns:—(1) Mr. J. H. Taggart; (2) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong.

Ferns, excluding Maiden Hair:—(1) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong; (2) Mr. J. H. Taggart.

Asparagus Plumosus:—(1) Mr. J. H. Taggart; (2) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong.

Mignonette:—(1) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong; (2) Mrs. Ho Fook.

French Marigolds:—(1) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong; (2) Mrs. Ho Fook.

Nasturtium (dwarf varieties):—(1) Mrs. Ho Kom-tong; (2) Mr. J. H. Taggart.

Panicles or Violets:—(1) Mr. Andrew Tso; (2) Mrs. Ho Fook.

Violets:—(1) U.S.R.C.; (2) Kowloon C.C.

Stocks:—(1) Mrs. Ho Fook.

Primula:—H.C., Mr. Andrew Tso.

Annuals, Perennials, or any plants:—(1) Mr. Andrew Tso; (2) Mrs. Ho Fook; H.C., Mrs. Shroeter.

## Section 2.

Plants in Pots—Peak Gardens only.

Marguerite (*Chrysanthemum frutescens*):—(1) Mr. R. M. Dyer; (2) Peak Club, H.C., Mr. T. E. Pearce.

Nasturtium (Tall varieties):—(1) Mr. R. M. Dyer.

Salvia:—Mr. T. E. Pearce.

Annuals or plants raised from seed the same season (excluding Nasturtiums):—(1) Mr. F. C. Hall; (2) Mrs. R. M. Dyer.

Annuals or plants raised from seed the same season:—(1) Mr. E. L. Sim; (2) Mr. F. A. Perry.

Arums:—(1) Mr. W. H. Bell; (2) Mr. A. Cameron.

Antirrhinum:—(1) Mr. T. E. Pearce; (2) Mrs. E. Launder.

Begonia:—(2) Mr. W. E. Bell.

Heliotropes:—(1) Mr. T. E. Pearce; (2) Mr. F. A. Perry.

Geraniums:—(1) Sir Robert Ho Tung; (2) Mrs. F. C. Hall.

Potunias:—(1) Mrs. F. C. Hall.

Linnaria (Tall varieties):—(1) Mr. H. L. Denny.

Roses:—(1) Mr. T. E. Pearce.

Verbena:—(1) Mr. W. H. Bell; (2) Mrs. R. M. Dyer; H.C., Mr. L. S. Greenhill.

Delphinium or Larkspur:—(1) Mrs. E. Launder; (2) Mr. T. E. Pearce; H.C., Mr. R. M. Dyer.

Phlox Drummondii:—(1) Mr. A. Cameron; (2) Mr. F. C. Hall; H.C., Mr. R. M. Dyer.

Freecias:—(1) Mr. L. S. Greenhill; (2) Mr. T. E. Pearce.

Nasturtiums (dwarf varieties):—(1) Mr. L. J. Davies; (2) Mr. W. H. Bell.

Dianthus (including Hybrids but excluding Carnation, Picotee and Sweet William):—(1) Mr. W. H. Bell; (2) Mr. F. S. Harrison; H.C., Mrs. R. M. Dyer.

Carnations or Picotees:—(1) Mr. F. C. Hall; (2) Mrs. R. M. Dyer.

Maiden Hair Ferns:—(1) Mr. J. A. Plummer.

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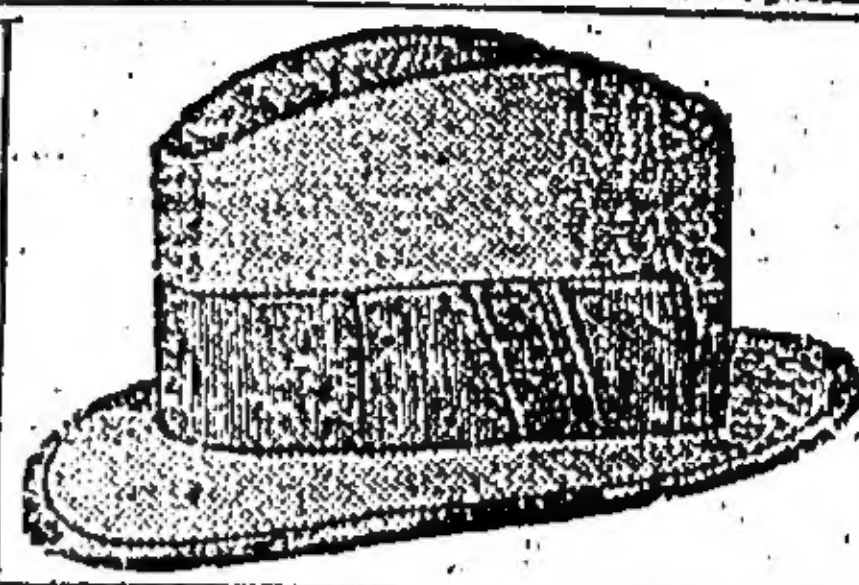
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## LEAGUE FOOTBALL TO-MORROW.

QUEEN'S OPPOSE CHINESE  
ATHLETIC.

SOME KEEN MATCHES.

[By "Wanderer"]

The Interport week having been  
weathered with great success and  
honour, the struggle for league  
championship honours is resumed  
to-morrow with a full programme.  
The Queen's are playing one of  
their final games before their  
fixtures are taken over by the  
Somerset, and if they cannot  
place their successors in a win-  
ning position, they may easily  
upset the prospects of Chinese  
Athletic.

In the Junior Division, the Navy  
are making a strong bid for  
honours, and here again the  
Queen's Reserves who meet Chi-  
nese Athletic may influence the  
final positions.  
The full fixtures, together with  
grounds, times of kick-off (ad-  
vanced fifteen minutes from the  
last league matches) and referees  
appointed, are as follows:

#### Senior Division.

Queen's v. Chinese—Sookunpoo,  
4.15.—Mr. Hollands.  
Navy v. Kowloon—Caroline Hill,  
4.15.—Mr. Smith.  
Recreio v. Police—Recreio, 4.15.—  
Mr. Kerslake.  
Small Units v. S. China—Kowloon,  
4.15.—Mr. Atkinson.  
Club v. K.O.S.B.—Club, 4.15.—  
Capt. Austin.

#### Junior Division.

Navy v. Recreio—Navy, 2.45.—  
Mr. Ip Kau-ko.  
R.A. v. S. China—"B"—Chinese,  
2.45.—Mr. Hatwell.  
K.O.S.B. v. Kowloon—Sookunpoo,  
2.45.—Mr. Moore.  
R.A.F. v. S. China—"A"—Recreio,  
2.45.—Mr. Gibbons.  
Queen's v. Chinese—Ath.—St.  
Joseph's, 2.45.—Mr. Stokes.  
Eastern v. Small Units—S. China,  
2.45.—Mr. Lamb.

#### A Big Game.

The big Senior game is that be-  
tween the Queen's and Chinese  
Athletic. After a bad spell, the  
Queen's have just run into form  
again, and the Athletic will be  
hard pressed to keep them out,  
particularly as several members  
of their defence are still unavail-  
able as the result of injuries, etc.  
The Queen's forwards are now  
in their brightest form and should  
make the game safe early on.

#### Kowloon's Misfortune.

Kowloon are forced to visit  
Caroline Hill with an 'extra-  
ordinarily weak team, due largely  
to the number of players on the  
injured list, including McKelvie,  
their skipper, Hayes, Bliss and  
Clemo. Hedley advances from  
right half to inside-right, though  
I fail to see exactly what good  
that is likely to do.  
The Navy can still call upon  
their strongest team and Kow-  
loon's defenders may look forward  
to a gruelling game.

#### Recreio's Chances.

Having suffered for some time  
with injured players, the Recreio  
are expected to be able to put a  
strong side in the field against  
the Police. If Gosano lends the  
line as expected, the Police de-  
fence will require all the dogged-  
ness that has carried the side to a  
comfortable position in the table.  
I fancy the Recreio to win.

#### Lowly Teams.

South China should make short  
work of the Small Units on the  
Kowloon Football Club ground,  
though they have shown a con-  
siderable falling off in form re-  
cently. The Small Units, without  
a point to their credit in the cam-  
paign, have not enjoyed the best  
of luck, and they may effect a  
surprise.

The K.O.S.B. will not have mat-  
ters all their own way against the  
Club, though I observe that they  
have perceived the value of play-  
ing Everest at right-half and  
Reeves at centre-forward. The  
Club will struggle to the last ditch,  
but I cannot feel confident of suc-  
cess coming their way.

The Navy, South China "B",  
K.O.S.B., R.A.F., Queen's and  
Eastern should score wins in the  
Junior Division of the League.

#### Teams.

Probable teams for to-morrow  
include:

## FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR  
SUNDAY.

The starting times for Sunday's  
golf at Fanling are:

9.28 a.m.—N. L. Smith and F. A.  
Perry.  
9.32 a.m.—D. J. Leach and E.  
Abraham.  
9.36 a.m.—C. W. Jeffries and A. D.  
Coppin.  
9.40 a.m.—A. G. Coppin and S. H.  
Dutton.  
9.44 a.m.—A. Webster and D. M.  
Goodall.  
9.48 a.m.—Lieut. Comdr. Brown  
and E. D. Matthews.  
9.52 a.m.—J. Coulthart and W.  
Fleming.  
9.56 a.m.—J. S. Dykes and A. R.  
Cox.  
10.00 a.m.—E. P. Fletcher and W.  
A. Weight.  
10.04 a.m.—A. B. Stewart and I.  
H. Geary.  
10.08 a.m.—E. C. Frederick and F.  
Synio Thomson.  
10.12 a.m.—H. R. Sturt and G. E.  
Mitchell.  
10.16 a.m.—C. L. Sandes and T. G.  
Bennett.  
10.20 a.m.—C. E. Holmes and A. H.  
Ferguson.  
10.24 a.m.—F. A. Merry and G. E.  
Smith.  
10.28 a.m.—W. B. Cornaby and A.  
Piercy.  
10.32 a.m.—A. O. Brawn and N. K.  
Littlejohn.  
10.36 a.m.—D. Humphreys and  
G. W. Sewell.  
10.40 a.m.—D. J. Gilmore and T.  
S. Whyte Smith.  
10.44 a.m.—D. G. Bruce and J.  
Cameron.  
10.48 a.m.—T. L. Christie and H.  
Mills.  
10.52 a.m.—A. B. Purves and A.  
E. Lissaman.  
10.56 a.m.—E. D. Black and J.  
Ralkes.  
11.00 a.m.—R. K. Hepburn and J.  
K. Shaw.  
11.04 a.m.—A. D. Beveridge and F.  
H. Swayne.  
11.08 a.m.—N. H. Procter and C.  
E. B. Tytler.  
11.12 a.m.—W. L. Dunbar and J. S.  
MacLaren.  
11.16 a.m.—E. Nowhouse and L. C.  
P. Rees.  
11.20 a.m.—G. B. S. Thomson and  
C. J. Waddell.  
11.24 a.m.—D. S. Edward and W.  
J. S. Key.  
11.28 a.m.—F. A. Redmond and E.  
des Vocux.  
11.32 a.m.—C. I. Cooke and P. S.  
Casady.  
11.36 a.m.—E. Kern and T. M.  
Goodson.  
11.40 a.m.—S. J. H. Fox and F. M.  
Walker.

## LEICESTER DEFEAT CARDIFF.

WELSH TEAM IN DANGER  
ZONE.

London, Feb. 21.

In the First Division of the  
English League to-day, Leicester  
City, playing at home, defeated  
Cardiff City by 2-0.

The match reported yesterday,  
in which Kilmarnock defeated Ayr  
United by 6-1, was played between  
the second Scottish League game.  
—*Reuter.*

The First Division table is as  
follows:

	P.	W.	D.	L.	P.	A.	Pts.
Wednesday	23	15	8	5	57	39	38
Sunderland	30	15	8	7	48	30	34
Blackburn	28	16	5	8	55	35	35
Aston Villa	28	16	3	9	57	35	35
Leicester	28	18	7	3	55	43	33
Derby	29	14	5	10	50	45	33
Leeds	28	13	8	9	50	32	32
Huddersfield	28	12	8	10	57	30	30
Everton	28	12	8	12	44	59	28
Newcastle	29	11	6	12	53	50	25
Bolton	28	10	7	11	52	48	25
Liverpool	28	9	0	10	45	48	27
Arsenal	28	9	0	10	45	48	27
Sheffield U.	29	10	7	12	52	37	27
Sheffield C.	29	10	6	13	53	34	23
West Ham	28	10	6	12	53	35	23
Burnley	29	11	3	15	57	50	25
Birmingham	27	10	5	12	50	55	25
Cardiff	30	7	8	15	32	41	22
Bury	27	9	3	14	40	55	22
Manchester U.	29	8	9	14	40	51	21
Portsmouth	27	10	0	17	35	58	20

Madame Wu Ting-fang is to per-  
form the unveiling ceremony at the  
Kowloon branch of the Chinese  
Y.M.C.A. to-morrow at 8 p.m. Sir  
Robert Ho Tung is to give an ad-  
dress.

K.O.S.B.: McDougall, Gear,  
Martin; Everest, Davey, Skiggs;  
Humphreys, Stock, Reeves, Mc-  
Glinchey and Alexander.

Kowloon: Angus, Robson, Pile;  
Downman, Easterbrook, Dunnott;  
Eastman, Hedley, Spary, Miles and  
Baldwin.

H.K.F.C.: Edwards, Holt, Blis-  
hop; McBride, Stewart, Watson;  
Reid, Alexander, Wallington,  
Scott and Trambitaky.

Kowloon Res.: Angus, Jnr.;  
Moore, Hast; Davies, Campbell,  
Nicholls; Hannan, McIntyre, Moss,  
Morgan and Blacklock.

## THE AUTOMATIC PHONES.

(Continued from Page 1.)

sideration decided to accept same,  
subject to your Company being left  
in undisturbed possession of that  
portion of the building then in use  
for exchange purposes, but which  
will ultimately be vacated when the  
new automatic plant is brought into  
operation.

#### \$50 a Foot.

The purchase price was at the rate  
of \$50 per square foot, and the  
receipts from this sale are reflect-  
ed in the cash position of your  
Company, which I think sharehold-  
ers will agree is highly satisfactory.  
There remains a balance of pur-  
chase money amounting to \$50,376  
which does not become due for pay-  
ment to us until we hand over to  
the purchaser, (the National  
City Bank of New York) the re-  
maining portion of the property  
which we now occupy.

In completing this sale, your  
Directors were actuated by a desire  
to augment your Company's cash  
resources in view of the heavy pay-  
ments which become due from time  
to time against shipment of the  
new automatic plant. The small  
loss on this sale represents the re-  
sidual value of the old building,  
which did not hold any value for  
the purchaser.

I am confident you will endorse  
your Directors' action in the matter  
of the disposal of this property,  
particularly having regard to the  
fact that prospective purchasers  
for a valuable site of this nature  
at a price at which your Company  
would be prepared to sell, are few.

For the same reason as actuated  
your Directors in disposing of  
your Queen's Road property, name-  
ly to finance the new automatic in-  
stallation, it was considered desir-  
able to issue the balance of the un-  
issued shares of your Company  
during the year and these were  
offered to the holders of partly  
paid shares in the ratio of one new  
share at par for every two old  
shares, the balance, i.e. 46,440  
shares, being offered to the holders  
of 140,000 fully paid shares which  
were issued in part satisfaction of  
the purchase price at which your  
Company took over the business in  
July, 1925.

#### More Earnings Needed.

You will observe from the balance  
sheet that 150,837 shares out of a  
total of 150,960 issued have been  
allotted, thus leaving 123 shares  
unallotted as at 31st December,  
1928. The shares allotted rank  
for dividend as from 1st January,  
1929, so that earnings will require  
to be substantially increased during  
the next financial year to meet this.

It should also be remembered  
that on the change-over to  
automatic working the old magneto  
exchange plant, instrument equip-  
ment and magneto stores will re-  
quire to be entirely written off,  
and although the latter are of full  
utility whilst the old system is in  
being, they become entirely useless  
from the moment the new system  
becomes operative. Your Direc-  
tors thought it desirable therefore  
to commence to make provision for  
this during the financial year under  
review, and I am confident  
that shareholders will fully con-  
cur in this policy.

During the year under review,  
your Company has continued its  
policy of proceeding as quickly as  
possible in all directions with  
work which will tend to main-  
tain and extend the improved ser-  
vice which has been afforded to  
subscribers. This has included,  
inter alia, the putting down of new  
conducts and the laying of an ex-  
tensive network of underground  
cables, which, besides allowing for  
overhead lines to be taken down, as  
called for under the terms of our  
franchise, has taken care of develop-  
ment in providing service during  
the year for 664 additional ex-  
tension lines, which, I feel sure you  
will agree, represents a very satis-  
factory increase in your business.

#### Reserve Provision.

On the liabilities side of the  
balance sheet you will observe that  
General Reserve stands at \$176,000,  
and is represented by the Reserve  
Fund shown on the contra side.

Whilst on this subject of General  
Reserve, it might be well if I pointed  
out that your Company is, by the  
terms of its franchise, restricted  
to \$50,000 as the annual appropria-  
tion to Reserve and that if the  
profits do not allow such an appropria-  
tion in any financial year, the  
amount of \$50,000 cannot be in-  
creased in any subsequent year.  
In the ordinary course of business  
it will no doubt become necessary  
to make calls on the issued shares  
of your Company from time to  
time to finance capital additions,  
and assuming, for the purpose of  
illustration, that the authorized  
capital of \$5,000,000 is fully paid  
up, it will be apparent that the  
annual appropriation of \$50,000  
to Reserve is only 1% of your  
capital, and consequently it may be  
necessary in the future to make re-  
presentations to the Government to  
modify this provision of the Tele-  
phone Ordinance so that the annual  
appropriation to Reserve may be  
increased.

Turning now to the assets side  
of the balance sheet, you will ob-  
serve that general plant has been

increased by \$280,897.39 which re-  
presents for the most part the cost  
of capital additions of a permanent  
nature, such as the laying down of  
underground cables in continuance  
of the replacement of overhead  
wires, as required under the terms  
of the Telephone Ordinance.

#### Miles of Cables.

Some idea of the magnitude of  
the work involved will, I feel sure,  
be conveyed to you when I state  
that 4,720.85 circuit miles of under-  
ground cabling and 62,475 circuit  
miles of covered distribution were  
laid down during the year under  
review.

Land and buildings show a  
capital addition of \$140,848.85,  
which is in respect of the purchase  
of a site and a portion of the cost  
of erection of a new Exchange  
Building for Kowloon. This build-  
ing has been designed to provide  
initial accommodation for 10,000  
subscribers' lines, with ultimate  
extension to 20,000 subscribers'  
lines.

Now come to the item  
"Automatic Plant" (Preliminary  
Expenses) which stands at  
\$98,003.99, and it is with great  
pleasure that I am able to notify  
you that very definite progress has  
been made in connection with the  
change-over of the existing manual  
system to automatic working. In  
July 1928, after the Government's  
approval had been obtained, a con-  
tract was entered into with Messrs.  
Siemens Bros., of London, for the  
supply and installation of complete  
automatic equipments for the  
Hongkong system, and according to  
the terms of this contract the in-  
stallation should be completed  
early in 1930, and it is reasonable  
to assume therefore that before the  
date of the next annual general  
meeting the change-over to the  
automatic system will be a *fait ac-  
complishé*. The equipment will be of  
British manufacture throughout.

#### The Change-Over.

The work to be done by your  
Company's staff in connecting the  
cables to the new exchanges and  
for the replacement of the magneto  
instruments at subscribers' pre-  
mises is well in hand, and provided  
there is no serious delay in ship-  
ment of materials, I can see no rea-  
son at present why the change-over  
should not take place as planned,  
namely, at the beginning of 1930.

The work involved in the change-  
over is of a complicated nature, and  
although matters will be so ar-  
ranged as to cause as little incon-  
venience as possible to subscribers,  
I would take this opportunity of  
asking the telephone public for  
their close co-operation with your  
Company, both during the transi-  
tion and at the time of change-  
over, by paying careful attention to  
all notifications which may be  
issued from time to time by the  
Company, covering instructions in  
the methods to be employed for  
the satisfactory functioning of the  
apparatus.

In view of the heavy capital ex-  
penditure to be financed in this  
connection, the Government was ap-  
proached with a view to obtaining  
increased rates of subscription, as  
a result of which authority was  
granted to increase such rates by  
\$9 per annum as from the 1st  
January, 1929. This brings the  
annual subscription rate up to  
\$117, which I would ask you to ob-  
serve is less by \$3 (or \$7 if the  
royalty of \$4 per annum to Govern-  
ment is taken into consideration)  
than that recommended by the  
Hongkong General Chamber of  
Commerce in their report of  
August, 1922, as being a fair rate  
to be charged for the year 1926.

#### Higher Rates.

In making this increase it was  
taken into consideration that the  
whole of the expenditure on new  
plant would not require to be met  
immediately, but would be spread  
over a considerable period, and it  
should therefore be borne in mind  
that a further revision of rates will  
be necessary when the total cost of  
the new plant has been met, for the  
reason, as I explained from the  
chair at the last annual meeting,  
that the rate of subscription to be  
charged resolves itself into a ques-  
tion of initial outlay on which is  
required a return on investment in  
the manner contemplated by the  
Telephone Ordinance.

Before concluding, I would like  
to mention that the Government  
has been in negotiation with this  
Company during the year for a  
grant of intercommunicating facil-  
ities between the Government and  
public telephone services, and your  
Company has felt it right to accede  
to the Government's request in this  
matter. I think it only fair, how-  
ever, to point out that this conces-  
sion will, when it becomes opera-  
tive, coincide with the change-  
over to the new system, result in  
the Government dispensing with  
the majority of its public tele-  
phones, with a corresponding de-  
crease in revenue to your Company.

#### Service to Canton.

I would also like to make refer-  
ence to a proposal for the estab-  
lishment of trunk telephone ser-  
vice between Hongkong and Can-  
ton, which matter was given very  
full consideration by your Company  
so soon as it became known that the  
Canton telephone system was to be  
reconstructed, developed, and  
brought up-to-date. This project  
has always been before your Com-  
pany, but the absence of a satis-  
factory system in Canton, with

## RADIO AMATEUR'S PROSECUTION.

POLICE COURT PROCEEDINGS  
FAIL.

The case against J. T. Cotton,  
who was summoned in respect of  
the possession of a wireless tele-  
graphy transmitting station with-  
out a permit, was concluded before  
Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central  
Police Court this morning.

While expressing his belief that  
the parts seized in the case were  
undoubtedly used for transmitting,  
his Worship stated that there was  
no evidence to show that, after  
being refused a transmitting per-  
mit, the defendant proceeded with  
the construction or use of the set.  
A suspicious exhibit was the coil  
box, and coil drum fashioned from  
a disused tea-can, but these two  
things were found in separate  
places.

On the evidence, his Worship  
said the summons must fail. The  
case was dismissed.

The defendant then asked the  
Court that the parts seized should  
be returned to him.

Inspector Dorling remarked that  
he supposed they must return the  
parts, seeing that the summons  
was dismissed.

While offering no opposition to  
the application, his Worship  
strongly advised the defendant to  
discard the parts which had been  
brought into question.

His Worship reminded defend-  
ant of the refusal of the Govern-  
ment in the matter of the trans-  
mitting permit, which had de-  
prived the defendant of any excuse  
for further retention of the  
articles.

We are informed that the Gov-  
ernment broadcasting studio has  
made arrangements to broadcast  
the first act of the A.D.C.'s per-  
formance of "On Approval" to-  
morrow night.

which to connect up, has hitherto  
been an insuperable barrier to the  
provision of trunk communication.

The opening up of an automatic  
telephone service in Canton, and  
the reconstruction of the outside  
plant in that city will, however,  
bring this matter within the realm  
of practicability, and your Com-  
pany is now in communication with  
the Canton Administration with a  
view to co-operating with the latter  
in the projected trunk line from  
Hongkong to Canton. There exists,  
I believe, a strong need amongst  
the commercial communities of both  
cities for such a service, which, I  
am sure, would be much appreci-  
ated and greatly in demand.

The main conditions your Com-  
pany has in mind are that the pro-  
position be financially sound and  
that the methods of construction be  
such as to afford good and uninter-  
rupted telephone service at all  
times. If the latter be given ef-  
fect to, then I believe there need  
be no cause for apprehension re-  
garding the financial side of the  
matter.

I now formally propose that the  
report of the Directors and the ac-  
counts for the financial year end-  
ing 31st December 1928, as pre-  
sented, be adopted, and that the  
following appropriations recom-  
mended by your Directors, as in-  
corporated in the balance sheet, be  
carried into effect, namely:—Pay-  
ment of a final dividend of 4%,  
making a total of 8% for the year,  
\$76,904.00; transfer to General  
Reserve, \$50,000; bonus to Euro-  
pean staff, \$9,725.67; transfer to  
stores Obsolescence Reserve, \$25,-  
000; carry forward to next account,  
\$29,386.76; and I shall be obliged  
if a shareholder will kindly second  
such proposal, whereupon ques-  
tions as to the report and accounts  
may be raised.

#### Read at Leisure.

In seconding, Mr. T. G. Weall  
said he was sure that shareholders  
had listened with great care to the  
chairman's address and he had no  
doubt but what shareholders who  
were unable to be present would  
read the speech at their leisure.

The proposition was carried.  
The Hon. Sir Shouson Chow and  
Mr. R. G. Shewan were re-elected  
to the Board of Directors on the  
proposition of Mr. E. M. Raymond,  
seconded by Mr. H. H. Priestley.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and  
Matthews were re-elected auditors  
for the ensuing year at a re-  
muneration of \$2,400 per annum,  
on the proposition of Mr. J. E.  
Joseph seconded by Mr. F. M.  
Ellis.

The Chairman announced that  
dividend warrants were now ready  
and could be obtained at the Com-  
pany's registered office.

The total number of shares re-  
presented was \$275,169.

Directors supporting the chair-  
man were the Hon. Sir Shouson  
Chow, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kota-  
wall, C.M.G., Mr. R. G. Shewan,  
Mr. T. G. Weall, Mr. D. H. Blake,  
Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, Mr. J. H.  
Taggart (managing director), Mr.  
J. P. Sherry (manager), and Mr.  
T. A. Barry (acting secretary).  
Shareholders present were  
Messrs. J. E. Joseph, H. H. Priest-  
ley, E. M. Raymond and F. M.  
Ellis.



## THE VOLUNTEERS.

## ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

No. 8/29. Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps Orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., Commandant.

Hongkong, Feb. 22. 1. Annual Inspection. The G.O.C. will inspect the Corps on Friday, 22nd February, 1929 on Murray Parade Ground at 5.50 p.m.

The Corps will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.15 p.m., as for ceremonial, in four companies.

No. 1 Company under Captain F. Syme Thomson. Composed of The Battery, Engineer Company, Signals and Reserve Company (less Scottish Reserves).

No. 2 Company under Captain E. J. R. Mitchell. Composed of M. I. Company, Armoured Car Section, Motor Cycle Section and Machine Gun Company.

No. 3 Company under Captain K. S. Morrison. Composed of Scottish Company and Scottish Reserves.

No. 4 Company under Captain R. R. Davies. Portuguese Company.

Officers for Colours: 2/Lieut. H. R. Forsyth and 2/Lieut. M. A. Johnson, M.M.

Dress: Corps Review Order—Helmets, khaki tunic, shorts, black boots, puttees, hose, belt, rifle and bayonet, Medals. Scottish Company will conform dressed in the kilts.

All ranks are required to attend the G. O. C.'s Inspection unless specially exempted by The Commandant.

Applications for exemption supported by sufficient documentary or medical evidence to be submitted through Company Commanders.

## 2. Annual Rifle Meeting.

Officers Commanding units will please detail one representative from each platoon or corresponding unit to attend a Committee Meeting at Volunteer Headquarters on Thursday, 28th February, 1929 at 5.45 p.m. As many Officers as possible are requested to attend.

## 3. Sergeants' Mess Committee Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the Sergeants' Mess Committee at 9 p.m. on Thursday, 28th February, 1929.

## 4. Musketry.

The Machine Gun Company will fire Table "I" at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, 24th February, 1929.

Range Officer: Lieut. H. Owen Hughes.

Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Musketry Order i.e. rifle, belt, bayonet and pouches. Uniform or outfit optional.

Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, 22nd February, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, 2 and 4 p.m. and on Saturday, 23rd February, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

## 5. Corps Band.

The Band will parade at full strength for G. O. C.'s Inspection at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.15 p.m. sharp in uniform as hereunder on Friday, 22nd February.

Helmets, tunic, shorts, hose, puttees, black boots, belt and Cross belt. There will be no parade next week.

## 6. The Battery.

Friday, 22nd February. All ranks are required to attend this parade for the G. O. C.'s Inspection which will be held on Murray Parade Ground, Parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.15 p.m. The attention is directed to Corps Order No. 1.

It is hoped that all ranks will do their utmost to attend.

## 7. Engineer Company.

Friday, 22nd February. All ranks are required to attend this parade for the G. O. C.'s Inspection which will be held on Murray Parade Ground, Parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.15 p.m. The attention is drawn to Corps Order No. 1.

It is hoped that all ranks will do their utmost to attend.

## 8. Corps Signals.

Friday, 22nd February. All ranks are required to attend this parade for the G. O. C.'s Inspection which will be held on Murray Parade Ground, Parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.15 p.m.

The attention of all ranks is directed to Corps Order No. 1.

Attention is drawn to Corps Order No. 1. All ranks will attend the parade on Friday, 22nd February as therein directed.

Thursday, 28th February. There will be a meeting of all ranks M. I. Company at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.50 p.m.

## 10. Armoured Car Company.

Friday, 22nd February. All ranks of Armoured Car Section and Motor Cycle Section are required to attend this parade for the General's Inspection which will be held on Murray Parade Ground, Parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.15 p.m. Attention is drawn to Corps Order No. 1.

11. Machine Gun Company.

The attention of all ranks is drawn to Corps Order No. 1 re G. O. C.'s Inspection.

There will be no parade next week. Musketry, Part II for Training Season 1929-30 will be fired by the Company at Stonecutters on Sunday, 24th February. Rifles to be kept after G. O. C.'s Inspection and not returned till after Sunday, 24th February.

Attention is drawn to Corps Order No. 4.

## 12. Scottish Company.

The attention of all ranks is drawn to Corps Order No. 1 re G. O. C.'s

## STATE OWNERSHIP.

## HOW BRITISH SHIPPING STANDS BY ITSELF.

London, Feb. 21. Sir William Currie, in a presidential address at the annual meeting of the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom, said the most important and gratifying sign of the past year had been the marked improvement in the relations of capital and labour.

Statistics of days lost by disputes in the shipping industry were the lowest for 36 years.

A most important happening was the withdrawal of the Australian Government from the business, and the gradual diminution of the interests of the American Shipping Board. Australia had lost £12,000,000 in its experiment.

The American Shipping Board had lost, on operating only, the fabulous sum of £55,000,000, in seven years.

It was a matter for complete satisfaction to British shipping, which had never asked to be spoon-fed by the Government, that two such outstanding examples of State ownership had collapsed.

He condemned the endeavour by some Indian politicians to exclude all British shipping from the Indian coastal trade.—*Reuter*.

Inspection. Dress: Review Order—Spats, died hose, flashes, kilt, sporran, tunic, helmet, rifle, belt and sidearms.

Musketry Table "I" for Training Season 1929-30 will be fired by the Company at Stonecutters on Sunday, 24th March. Range Officer: 2/Lieut. H. R. Forsyth.

13. Portuguese Company.

Company Rifle Club. The Peak Range has been allotted to the Company Rifle Club on Sunday, February 24th.

Firing will commence at 9 a.m. It is hoped that as many as possible will take advantage of this opportunity.

Friday, 1st March. The Company will be expected to parade as strong as possible at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

Lewis Gun Sections will proceed to Kennedy Road Range for Firing Practices.

Rifle Sections will proceed to Miniature Range for Firing Practices.

Recruits will parade for Arms and Foot Drill. It is particularly hoped that all N. C. O.'s will be present.

Musketry Part II. The Company will be firing Part II Musketry on Sunday, 10th March. It is hoped that as many as possible will keep this date open.

14. Reserve Company.

Friday, 22nd February. Attention is drawn to Corps Order No. 1.

It is hoped that all ranks will do their utmost to attend this parade.

15. Strength.

The following recruits are taken on the strength and posted as under: No. 1445 Pte. W. E. B. Jenner, No. 1 Platoon, from 14. 2. 29.

No. 1446 Pte. A. J. R. Wolf, No. 1 Platoon, from 14. 2. 29.

No. 1447 Pte. L. W. Walkinshaw, M. C. Section, from 15. 2. 29.

No. 1448 Pte. F. F. da Cruz, No. 9 Platoon, from 15. 2. 29.

No. 1449 Pte. J. H. B. Lee, Headquarters, from 15. 2. 29.

No. 1450 Pte. W. F. Edge, No. 1 Platoon, from 10. 2. 29.

16. Transfer.

Lieut. H. C. Macnamara is transferred from M. I. Coy. to the Reserve of Officers, as from 18. 2. 29.

17. Command.

Lieut. H. C. Macnamara hands over command of The M. I. Company to C.S.M. A. Hutten-Potts as from 18. 2. 29.

18. Leave.

No. 212 Pte. H. Balcan, Reserve Coy. from 1. 8. 29 to 23. 2. 30.

No. 1351 Pte. K. H. Bagger, No. 1 Platoon, leave to be extended till 1. 9. 29.

No. 1355 Pte. F. T. Caveney, No. 7 Platoon, from 18. 2. 29 to 17. 8. 29.

No. 400 Pte. H. T. Buxton, No. 1 Platoon, from 1. 8. 29 to 31. 12. 29.

No. 1147 Cpl. G. B. Labrum, Car Section, from 1. 8. 29 to 30. 11. 29.

No. 1308 Pte. A. A. Santos, No. 10 Platoon, from 15. 2. 29 to 1. 8. 29.

No. 411 C. S. M. R. W. Lee-Jones, Reserve Company, from 18. 2. 29 to 24. 2. 29.

No. 1352 Pte. S. M. West, No. 1 Platoon, from 20. 2. 29 to 27. 2. 29.

No. 1441 Pte. B. L. Stock, No. 1 Platoon, from 16. 2. 29 to 22. 2. 29.

19. Struck off the Strength.

Having left the Colony: No. 713 Pte. A. Murdoch, Reserve Company, as from 25. 1. 29.

Having claimed their discharge on completion of three years' service or over: No. 621 Pte. T. J. Price, No. 1 Platoon, from 5. 2. 29.

No. 569 Cpl. R. K. Hepburn, No. 7 Platoon, from 1. 2. 29.

No. 657 Pte. J. W. Blackley, No. 7 Platoon, from 17. 1. 29.

No. 511 Pte. O. Eger, Reserve Company, from 1. 1. 29.

No. 935 Pte. E. A. dos Remedios, No. 10 Platoon, from 17. 1. 29.

R. A. Wolfe Murray, Major, Adjutant, H. K. V. D. Corps.

Notice.

Machine Gun Company Rifle Club will hold their next meeting at the Peak Range on Sunday, 3rd March, 1929, at 9 a.m. sharp.

## INDIAN SENTENCED.

## ONE MONTH'S IMPRISONMENT WITHOUT OPTION.

One month's hard labour without the option of a fine was imposed by Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon on an Indian constable who was charged on remand with entering No. 81, Haiphong Road, without a warrant; attempting to obtain a bribe of 40 cents and larceny of 70 cents.

Mr. L. H. C. Cathrop (A.S.P. (Kowloon), appeared for the prosecution while Mr. H. J. Armstrong represented the defendant.

Chief Inspector Paterson, officer in charge of the Police Training School, gave evidence of the instructions given to recruits regarding entering premises. He said that there were three different regulations. One of them stated that a constable must not enter any house except in accordance with his duty.

With regard to entering gambling houses, witness said that a constable was not allowed to do so without a warrant. If he became aware that gambling was going on in a house he was to report to his senior officers. Speaking of a regulation empowering a constable to enter houses without warrants, witness said that in case of preventing a murder or other felony a constable was permitted to enter a house, but not without first asking permission, and if refused he was entitled to force an entry.

"A Poor Record."

In reply to Mr. Armstrong witness said that the defendant enlisted on January 21, 1928, and passed out on July 21, the same year. Referring to his conduct witness said that it was recorded as "poor." Witness himself had punished the defendant ten times for various petty offences, such as being dirty, slackness, absence from parade, etc. On two occasions he was reported to the Superintendent.

Every constable, continued witness, is supposed to be conversant with the Police Regulations when passed out.

Sergeant You gave evidence of the defendant taking one of the witnesses to the Water Police Station on a charge of street gambling and produced 70 cents which he said he had picked up.

Witness said, in answer to Mr. Armstrong, that he doubted the constable's story because it was a cold night and it was unlikely that people would be gambling in the streets. Witness further said that the constable told him the gamblers were playing outside their own house. This was unlikely because they would have played inside their house instead of outside.

When asked for the dice the defendant told witness that he had been unable to get them but had picked up 70 cents.

No Bribery.

This closed the case for the prosecution. His Worship intimated that the defence had no case to answer on the second charge. He did not think that what the constable was alleged to have done amounted to bribery under the Ordinance. According to law a bribe was money given to influence the conduct of a constable in his duty when something illegal was being done.

In the present case, his Worship continued, the men were playing tin kau which was not an offence. He thought that the constable knew this and also that the men themselves knew the game was not against the Law. There was therefore no question of the constable's duty being influenced. His Worship did not think that the constable ever intended to arrest the men, nor did his Worship think that the men themselves expected to be arrested.

If the constable did ask for the money, his Worship was of the opinion that he had asked for it as tea money or what might be called a "cushaw" and not with the intention of influencing his duty. It was not an attempt to obtain a bribe within the meaning of the Ordinance.

Defendant's Story.

Before calling his witnesses, Mr. Armstrong submitted that he had no case to answer. He argued that the defendant's subsequent act in handing the money to the European Sergeant showed that he had no intention of keeping it.

His Worship, however, held that there was a case to answer.

The defendant then went into the box and denied the allegations of the prosecution. He claimed that he saw the men gambling on the pavement and on seeing him they ran into the shop. The master picked up 20 cents which had fallen to the ground and witness arrested him.

In cross-examination the defendant denied that it was a cold night.

The proprietor of a garage adjoining No. 81, Haiphong Road,

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7.45 p.m. Evening Weather Report.

8 p.m. Evening Programme (Columbia Records).

"Lady Mary," Selection, London Theatre Orchestra.

"If You're A Friend Of Mine," Calling Me Home, Helen Gilliland and Chorus.

"Was It A Dream?—Waltz Song," "Nicolette," Organ Solo, Stanley Macdonald.

"Wherever You Are," "Blue Grass," Duo, Layton and Johnstone.

"Parsifal—Prelude," (Wagner) Bruno Walter and The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra.

Act 1. Transformation Music, Klingsohn's Magic Garden and Flower Maidens.

"Measurables," "(a) Where Be You Going?" "(b) Old Clothes And Fine Clothes," Baas, Norman Allan.

Vocal Gems from "Show Boat," "Ol' Man River," (from "Show Boat") Norris Smith and Mississippi Chorus.

"1812," Overture Solennelle "Chant Sans Paroles," New Queen's Hall Orchestra.

"Song Of The Sea—Somewhere," Lillian Davies and Jerry Verno.

"Song Of The Sea," (True Eyes) Duet, Lillian Davies and Stanley Holloway.

"Song Of The Sea—Women," Comedian, Archie W. Baskcomb.

"Song Of The Sea," (All Day Long) Soprano, Lillian Davies.

"Song Of The Sea—The Tavern Maid," Duet, Lillian Davies and Stanley Holloway.

"Song Of The Sea—The Mirror Song," Soprano, Lillian Davies.

"Love The Maples," Madam Quartet.

"The Low-Backed Car," Albert W. Keelbey's Concert Orch.

"Molly Brannigan," God Save The King.

"By The Blue Hawaiian Waters—Tone Picture," 10.30 p.m. News Bulletin.

"Jungle Drums—Patrol," "The Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards.

"Danza," "Gavotte," 10.30 p.m. Close Down.

"Sanctuary Of The Heart," 10.30 p.m. Close Down.

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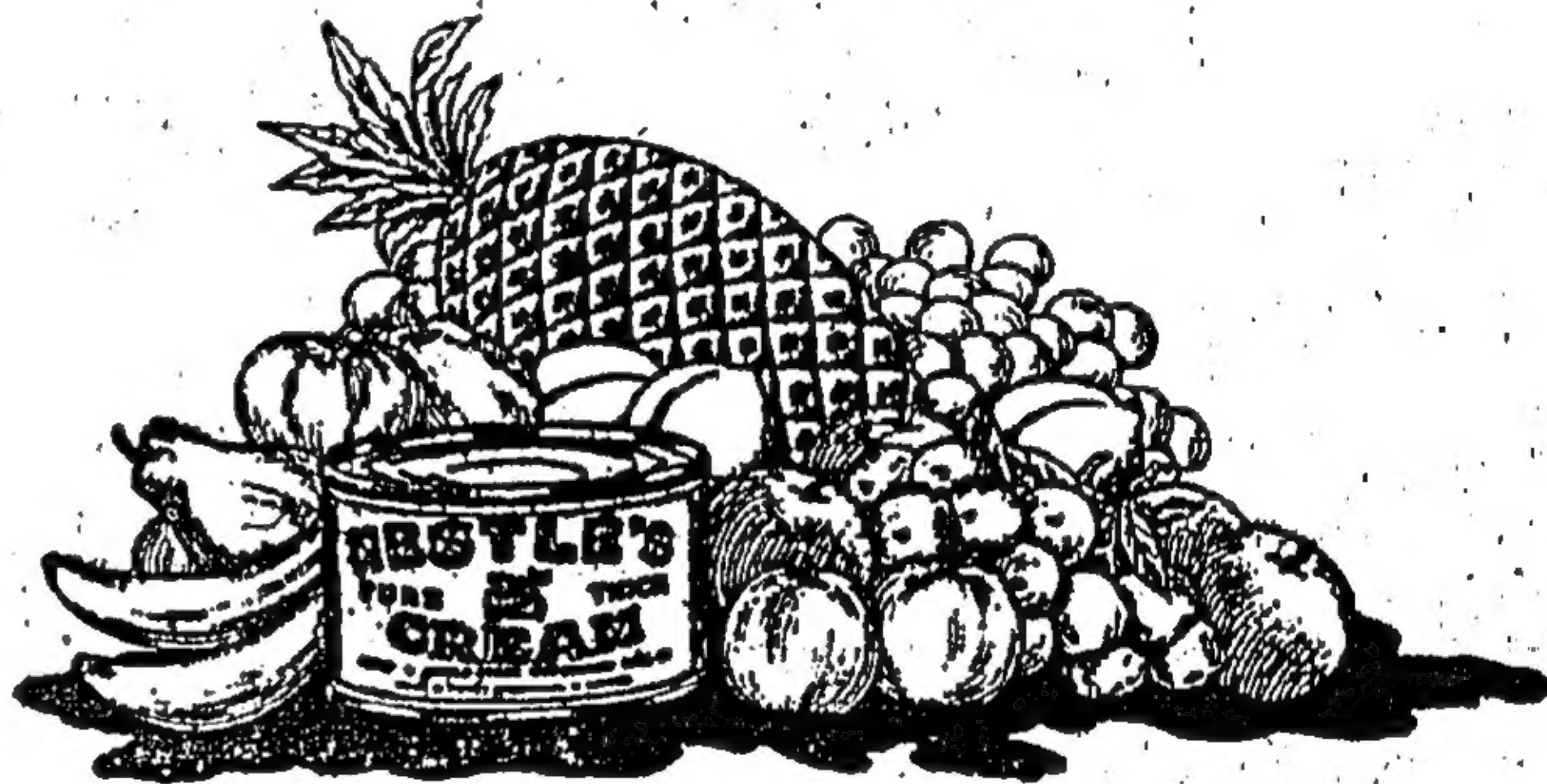
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## ST. PETER'S CLUB.

### ACTIVITIES REVIEWED AT ANNUAL DINNER.

The annual dinner of the St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club was held at Lane Crawford's Restaurant last evening. The Very Rev. Alfred Swann presided over a large attendance of members and friends, amongst whom were the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall and Mrs. Kotewall, Mr. W. L. Pattenden and others.

The toasts of the King and the Republic of China having been duly honoured, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall said:

Mr. Chairman, Mr. President, ladies and gentlemen.—I share with His Lordship the Bishop of Victoria the honour of being Joint Patron of this Club. His Lordship, owing unfortunately to the state of his health, is not dining out for the present, and so the duty of proposing the Club has devolved on me. And I accepted this duty with readiness, for though I have not Bishop Duppy's eloquence which at once charms and inspires, I do not yield to him in appreciation and admiration of the work which the Club has been doing for the good of the community, and in the faith that it will do yet greater good in the future.

St. Peter's Club has been in existence for about two and a half years, gathering strength as it grows older, and rendering services to the community which have benefited various classes, particularly the poor and the needy. Last year it had its first annual dinner, at which I had the pleasure of performing the same duty as I am now performing. I then briefly outlined the objects and purpose of the Club, and the nature of the work it had done. It would be a waste of time if I were to go over the same ground again, and I would therefore content myself with congratulating the Club upon another year of successful endeavour. It is a matter of great regret to us that its former hard-working Secretary Mr. George Zimmermann is not with us this evening. You will all be glad to hear that news has just been received that he topped the first terminal examination which took place a little while ago. I feel that all of you would like to join with me in wishing him continued success.

Mr. Hallward has informed me that, while intending no disparagement to the present hard-working secretaries, the absence of George Zimmermann is still being felt by the Club. I know how hard all the officials of the Club especially the Joint Secretaries have been working, but at the same time, in order to fill successfully the void left by the resignation of George, and to enable the Club to make the progress it should, it is incumbent upon all members, whether they hold official positions or not, to put their weight in the work which the Club has set out to do. I am sure that with the wise guidance of your Chairman you will succeed in your object.

Mr. Hallward's Part.

In the past, whenever I was going to say something about St. Peter's Club, the Rev. Hallward invariably begged of me to leave him out. Though I could not altogether do so, I spared him as much as I could, but I am not

going to be so indulgent this evening. The Club owes its success as much to Mr. Hallward as to George Zimmermann. Mr. Hallward has from the time of the Club's inception been its Chairman, and has been working unremittingly in its interest. He has been not only Chairman, but a personal friend to the members, inspiring them in their efforts, and counselling them in their difficulties. He is a veritable Trojan for work, with a temper that can not be ruffled. No wonder a young lady who is not connected with this Club, and who has often received assistance and help from him, calls him Mr. Kindness. With such a man to guide its destiny, the success of the Club is assured. I have now much pleasure in asking you, ladies and gentlemen, to drink with me to the success and prosperity of St. Peter's, coupling with the toast the name of the Rev. N. V. Hallward.

Other Speakers.  
The Rev. N. V. Hallward, responding, spoke with diffidence in regard to his own work, stating that he was merely in the capacity of a supporter in much that was suggested by the initiative of Mr. George Zimmermann. Reviewing the work of the Club during the past year, he stated that it had not been a particularly outstanding one, but much good had been done to bear out the ideals and aims of their late Secretary. He referred in particular to the efforts of Dr. R. H. Kotewall, who had obtained for them permission from the Government for the use of a site for a bathing shed at Repulse Bay during last year. The bathing shed proved to be a decided success.

In proposing a toast to the Guests, Mr. F. C. Mow Fung expressed the thanks and appreciation of the Club for such assistance as had been extended to it in the past by various firms. He referred to the presence of Mr. W. L. Pattenden as being an encouraging factor for the Club.

Mr. W. L. Pattenden suitably responded, in returning thanks on behalf of the guests.

The function was brought to a conclusion with the Dean wishing greater success for the Club during the coming year.

## LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.  
LAMP, LAME, LANE, BANE, BALE, BALL, BULL, BULB.

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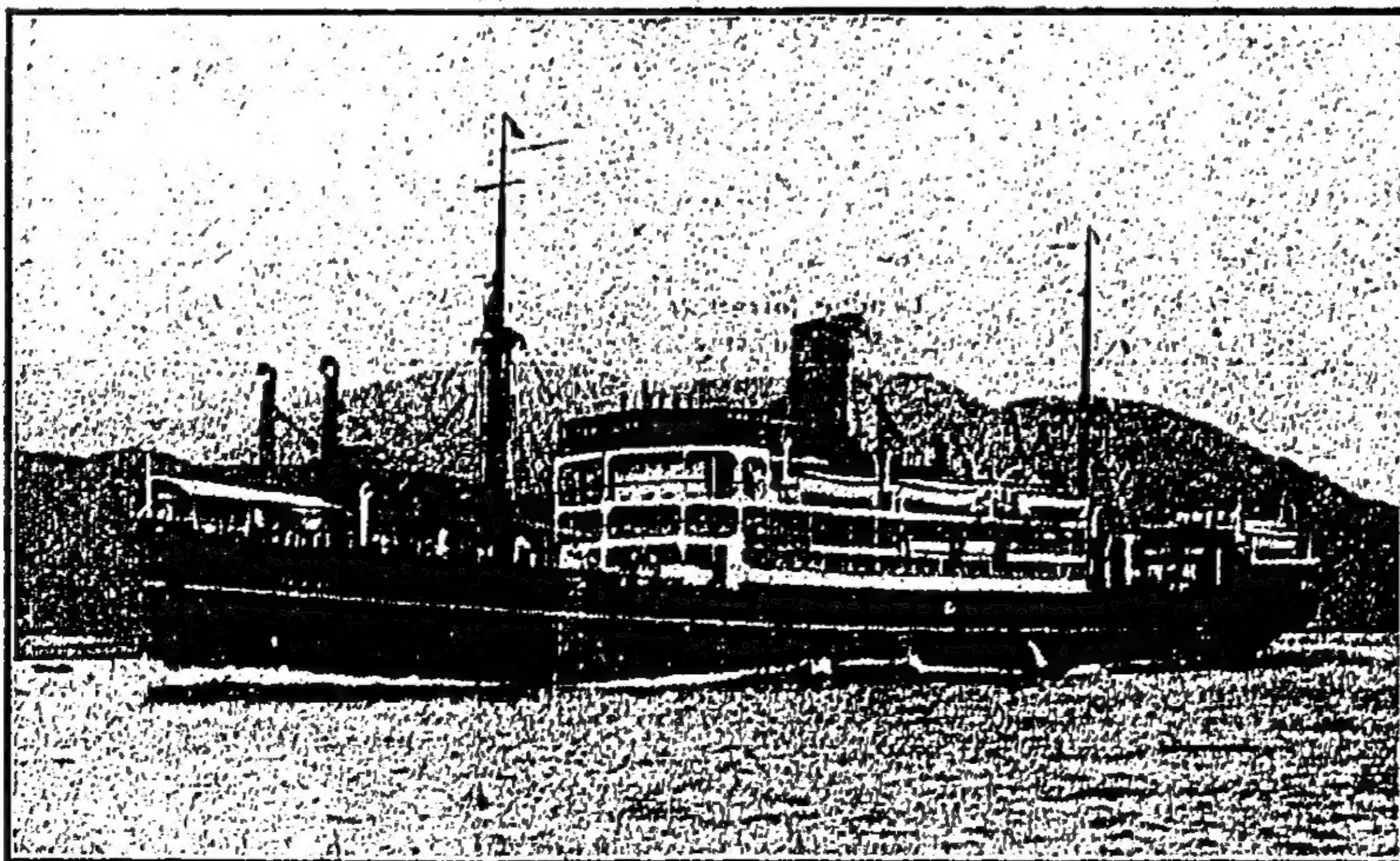
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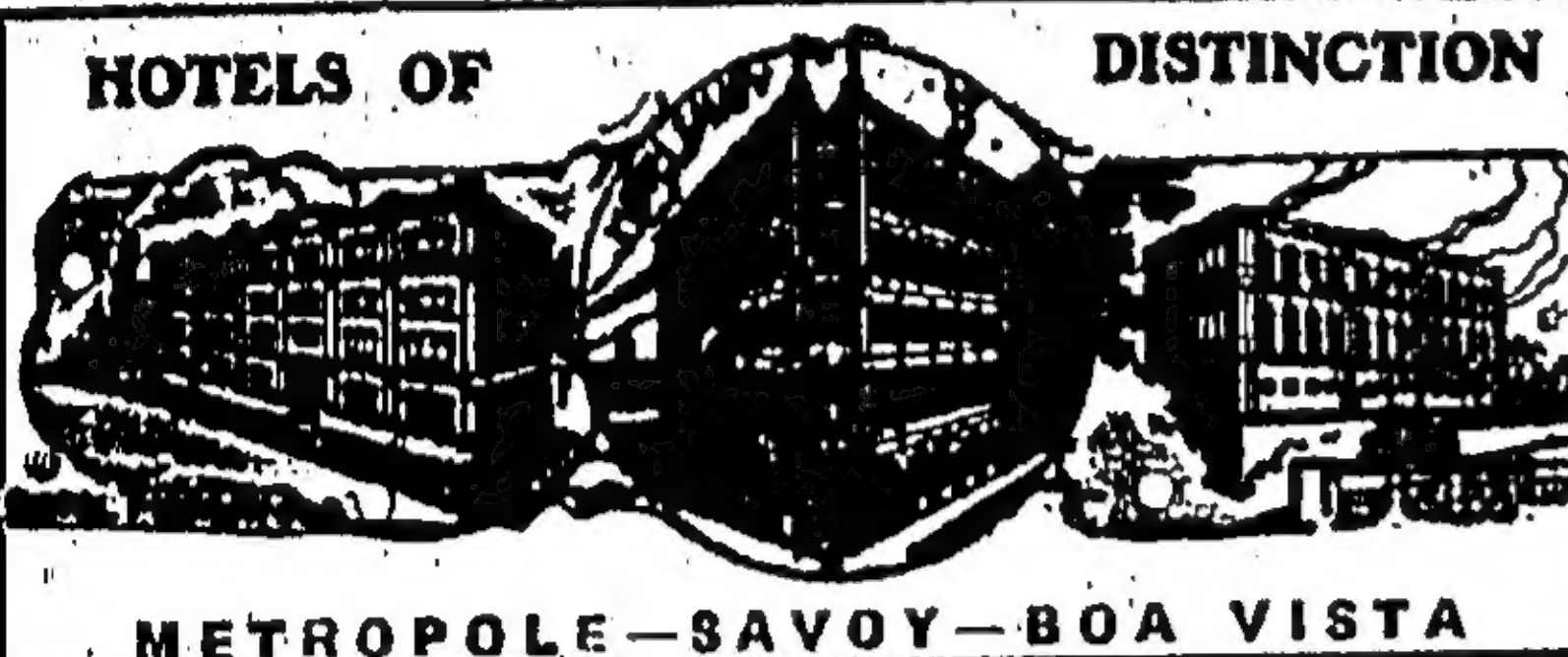


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## SINO-JAPANESE ISSUES.

### HOPES OF NEW PARLEY NOT ABANDONED.

#### THE CHINESE STAND.

Shanghai, Feb. 21.  
In connexion with the report of the final meeting between Dr. C. T. Wang, the Chinese Foreign Minister, and Mr. Yoshizawa, the Japanese Minister to China, it is understood that the Chinese Foreign Office authorities in Shanghai have wired to the capital urging Dr. Wang to come to Shanghai.

It is hoped that a conference will take place some time tomorrow. Dr. Wang is expected to arrive here to-day.

A high official of the Foreign Office says that the Chinese will insist on their former demands in connexion with the Tsinanfu affair and, if the Japanese should fail to comply, it seems likely that nothing further will be done regarding the Hankow and Nanking incidents or the revision of the Sino-Japanese Commercial Treaty.

Another cable says that the Wang-Yoshizawa conference will take place on Saturday. Discussions at the coming meeting are expected to centre on the question of compensation for losses suffered by Chinese during the Tsinanfu clash.

Nanking, Feb. 22.  
The important outstanding issues between Tokyo and Nanking remain unsettled, and there has been no resumption of the negotiations.—*Reuter.*

### THE NORTH CHINA COMMAND.

#### COLONEL STEWARD MADE G.S.O. 1.

London, Feb. 21.  
The War Office announces that Colonel G. R. V. Steward has been appointed G.S.O. 1, North China Command, in succession to Colonel W. F. Blaker, as from April, 1920.—*Reuter.*

[Colonel Godfrey Robert Vivian Steward, C.B.E., D.S.O., belongs to the 1st Battalion of the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers. He was born on August 2nd, 1881, being the son of Major General E. H. Steward.

He entered the Army in 1899 and became Colonel in 1921. He served in the South African War from 1899 to 1902, being severely wounded, securing the Queen's medal with three clasps and the King's medal with two clasps. From 1914 to 1918, he served in the Great War, being very severely wounded, was mentioned in despatches and was given the C.B.E. and D.S.O. decorations, besides being made Brevet Lieutenant Colonel. From 1921, he has been Military Attaché at the Legation in Peking.]

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

"Cheer-O" Appreciations.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—Having read with interest your leading article of Wednesday re the activities of the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A., I should like to take this opportunity of expressing my thanks for many kindnesses which I have received from the ladies and gentlemen who have so unselfishly given their services.—Yours, etc., H.F.

Sir,—I have read with interest the sane and optimistic leader in yesterday's issue concerning the work of "Cheer-O" Y.M.C.A., and wish to thank all who have helped to make "Cheer-O" what it is to-day.

The ladies who work there in the evenings contribute in no small way a gentle, homely influence which is appreciated by all the fellows I have come in contact with.—Yours, etc., E. P.

#### CHEFOO UNCHANGED.

According to naval wireless messages received to-day there is no change in the situation at Chefoo. It is confirmed that Chang Chung-chung has been to Lung-kow.

Mr. R. Vaughan Fowler returned to the Colony from the North by the Empress of Russia yesterday, and will deliver a lecture on "Twenty-Five Years of Flying" at the University this evening. Mr. Fowler will continue with his efforts to make the recently formed Flying Club an active organisation.

## OUTLOOK IN COAL INDUSTRY.

### OPTIMISTIC VIEW NOW EXPRESSED.

#### AUSTRALIA IN SAME BOAT WITH BRITAIN.

#### GREAT DIFFICULTIES.

London, Feb. 21.

Sir Philip Cunliffe Lister, the President of the Board of Trade, speaking at a dinner given by the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom, made the first official disclosure of the extent of Britain's "invisible exports" stating that the Board of Trade estimated the trade balance for the past year to be approximately £150,000,000 on the credit side.

#### Clouds Dispersing.

An interesting contribution to the recent forecasts of the improvement in British industry was also made at the dinner, the speaker being Sir William Seager, the retiring President, who reviewing the trade conditions of 1920, said that in his opinion the clouds that had been hanging over the coal industry were beginning to disperse.

Speaking with intimate knowledge of the South Wales trade, Sir William Seager said he was confident that we had touched bottom. The output was now increasing and exports were gradually being extended.—*Reuter.*

#### Deputation to Premier.

The Prime Minister has agreed to receive a deputation from the Miners' Federation for discussion of certain aspects of the coal industry and measures for maintaining the improvement noted in the last few days.

The improvement may only be temporary unless a serious effort is made to re-establish the industry. The present demand for coal both in England and abroad, is due to the bitter cold which has not only increased the home demand, but by closing up the ports of many of our competitors, has created a market for British coal abroad.—*British Wireless.*

#### Australia's Troubles.

Canberra, Feb. 21.

That Australia is facing an acute coal problem which may develop seriously, in the manner of the British coal industry, was revealed to-day in the course of a brief discussion in the House of Representatives.

The discussion followed the announcement that the Federal Government had intervened in the dispute in the New South Wales collieries, in which connexion the owners have just issued dismissal notices to 10,000 miners following the refusal of the Trade Unions to accept the proposals of the Prime Minister and Mr. Bavin for the rehabilitation of the industry.

#### Royal Commission.

Mr. Bruce, the Premier, speaking to-day, announced that the Government proposed to appoint a Royal Commission to investigate the position of the Australian coal industry, a Commission, similar to that set up by Mr. Stanley Baldwin in Britain in 1920 (the recommendations of which were not acted upon).

Mr. Bruce drew attention to the fact that the exports of coal had declined by 600,000 tons, and that in the space of three years production had dropped by 2,000,000 tons.

The Premier said that it was imperative for the soundness of the industry that the selling price of coal should be reduced by at least 5/- per ton.—*Reuter.*

### THE "CHRISTIAN GENERAL."

#### NOW REPORTED TO BE INDISPOSED.

Nanking, Feb. 21.

Admiral Chien Shao-kuen yesterday dispatched a Chinese gunboat to Pingpo to convey Marshal Chiang Kai-shek back to Nanking.

The latest news about the "Christian General," Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, is that he is still in Honan. He is said to be indisposed, and to be receiving medical treatment by a European doctor.

It is said that Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang has announced his intention of welcoming back Mr. Wang Ching-wel, the exiled Kuomintang "Leftist" leader. It is also reported that Marshal Feng intimates his intention of not participating in the coming Third Kuomintang National Congress.

## SHANGHAI POLICE METHODS.

### HIGH BRITISH OFFICER TO INVESTIGATE.

#### FOREIGN OFFICE JOB.

Shanghai, Feb. 16.

For some time past rumours have been current that a highly placed officer either of the Metropolitan Police Force in London or the Royal Irish Constabulary was on his way to Shanghai for the purpose of making an investigation into methods whereby the efficiency of the Shanghai Municipal Police could be improved. One name has been mentioned in this connexion, but inquiry shows that no appointment has so far been made.

It is learned that some time ago the Shanghai Municipal Council asked the British Foreign Office to arrange for the appointment of such an official who would undertake a thorough investigation into the general running of the Police Force here and to make suggestions as to its work.

So far as is known, no appointment has yet been made, but it is expected that within a comparatively short time there will be an announcement respecting an officer to fulfil the duties mentioned.

### STRANGE SENTENCE ON LAWYER.

#### REQUIRES PROTECTION IN GAOL.

Los Angeles, Feb. 21.

Convicted, with two co-defendants, on a charge of conspiracy and bribery in connexion with the noted Julian Petroleum Fraud Cases, the former District Attorney, Mr. Keyes, has been sentenced to imprisonment ranging from one to fourteen years according to his behaviour in prison.

The head-warden of the San Quentin penitentiary says that half the inmates have been sent there as the result of Keyes' efforts, and that if Keyes himself solves a term of imprisonment he must be isolated for his own protection.—*Reuter's American Service.*

### LATEST ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION.

#### "DISCOVERY" TO BE EMPLOYED.

London, Feb. 21.

The famous ship Discovery has been placed at the disposal of Sir Douglas Mawson by the British Government for an Antarctic Expedition which he is to lead.

This three-masted auxiliary barque was used by Scott for his first Antarctic Expedition. Sir Douglas Mawson's Expedition, which the Australian Commonwealth Government is equipping, and which a number of British scientists have been invited to form, will leave Hobart, Tasmania, at the beginning of the next Australian summer.

Sir Douglas Mawson arrived in London from Australia ten days ago, in the hope of acquiring the Discovery.—*British Wireless.*

### JAPANESE DEFENCES AT HANKOW.

#### MANY MORE MARINES LAND.

Hankow, Feb. 21.

A large number of Japanese marines landed here yesterday and the Japanese defences around the Japanese Concession were further strengthened.

In order to avoid misunderstandings and the possibility of a clash with the Japanese marines, the Chinese pickets have moved further away from the approaches to the Concession.

Mr. Tsang Koo-sen, one of the directors of the picket corps, has announced his resignation. He did not give any reasons.

#### ARMS ON DUTCH SHIP.

Shanghai, Feb. 21.

Customs officials seized 185 revolvers and 19,522 rounds of ammunition on a Dutch steamer which arrived here in the early hours of this morning. The vessel left for Hongkong to-day.

Three Swedish military aeroplanes, crashed on one day recently, causing one death and several injuries.

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